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LAIRD OF SKIBO ON STEEL DUTY

Says Industry in States Does Not Longer Require Protection

CHEAPER THAN ABROAD

The Influence of Combination Among Manufacturers on Export Trade

Washington, Dec. 21.—That the steel industry of the United States has reached a point where it does not need protection, but can stand alone in competition, was the feature of the testimony of Andrew Carnegie today before the committee on ways and means of the House of Representatives, which is securing evidence designed to assist it in the preparation of a new tariff bill.

The Laird of Skibo kept the committee and the audience in constant laughter by his ready retorts to the questions asked him. He would not deal in figures, claiming that the more figures were used the more the subject would become "befogged." Mr. Carnegie characterized Mr. Schwab as a genius and Mr. Gary as a most lovable man, but a very shrewd one. He expressed the opinion that wages would not be reduced if the tariff was lowered or removed entirely. He was utterly opposed to an income tax, believing, as he said, with Mr. Gladstone, that such a tax produced a nation of liars.

Chairman Payne took an active part in the examination of the witness when Mr. Carnegie resumed the stand after recess.

Mr. Carnegie said that the cost of manufacturing steel is greater in Great Britain than here. He said that the committee should send experts familiar with the steel industry to the large mills of Europe, to study the question of comparative cost of labor. "They will be received by the foreign manufacturers with open arms," he said.

"It is a condition, and not a theory, that confronts the committee at this time," said Representative Longworth. "It is understood that the President-elect will call a special session of congress for the purpose of enacting a tariff bill, and we must prepare a bill for them to pass on. We have no time to send experts to Europe. What I want to know is what authority besides the testimony given by you and Judge Cary, who I don't think went as far as you do, have for taking the duty off steel."

Mr. Carnegie pointed out that there is practically no foreign made steel imported into the U.S.. "Others parties are not exporting here because they have an international agreement, as your consul says."

Representative Hill, of Connecticut, was desirous of learning more of this alleged international agreement between German, English and American steel manufacturers. He also wanted to know about the agreement between steel interests and the railroad companies as to the price of steel rails.

"That is a question you should ask those interested in it," he replied, when asked by Mr. Hall if a combination of the English, German and American steel manufacturers exists. "I do not know, but I have heard it stated that there is such a combination," continued Mr. Carnegie. "You have it from Mr. Miles, who appeared before your committee, I think it is highly probable. I would not be telling the whole truth if I said that I did not think that there was such a combination."

"If the prices of steel were fixed by this combination in London, would it affect that combine here?" was the next question.

"It would, of course prevent competition here," replied Mr. Carnegie

"Do you know of any combination to fix the price of tinplate internationally?" asked Mr. Hill.

"No,"

"Do" you know of any combination to fix the price of wire nails?"

"No," Mr. Carnegie replied. "I am not so positive about the existence of a combination to fix the price of nails in fact I am without knowledge of any combine of any kind."

Representative Bourke, of New York asked Mr. Carnegie many questions regarding his advent into the steel business. In the course of his testimony about the conditions existing at that time, Mr Carnegie said that he would not have gone into the steel manufacturing business without the protection of the tariff.

Overdue Steamers Arrive

Sydney, N.S., Dec. 21.—The steamer Falcon, from Glasgow, November 28, and the Kristanan, from Grimsby, November 15, which were overdue here, causing considerable anxiety, arrived here today and reported a serious of gales in quick succession.

Montreal's Light Threatened

Montreal, Dec. 21.—In a letter to the city clerk today, the Montreal Light, Heat and Power Co. threaten to cut off the lighting of the city at the end of the month, unless the city council comes to an immediate decision regarding renewal of the contract

NEW WATER RATES BEFORE THE COUNCIL

No Data Before Civic Fathers But New Figures Mean an Increase

If the recommendation of the finance committee of the city council, by which body the question of water rates has been considered for some time, is adopted, water users will have to pay an increased rate for their daily supply. At last night's meeting of the council, a report from the committee was submitted, but owing to the fact that the rest of the aldermen had had no time to consider the matter, discussion was deferred until copies of the report could be prepared and handed to each member of the council. The matter will be brought up at the next meeting of the council when the draft bylaw to give effect to the rates decided upon will be introduced.

The committee submits the following schedule of rates:

Flat Rate

Four rooms, $1.10; with discount, $1.
Five rooms, $1.10; with discount, $1.
Six, seven and eight rooms, $1.10; with discount, $1.00.
Nine and ten rooms, $1.40; with discount, $1.25.

Meter Rates

First 1,000 gallons, $1.10.
Residences, all over 1,000 gallons, 12c per thousand gallons.
All other amounts as follows:
Under 75,000 gallons per month, per thousand gallons, 22½c.
75,000 to 100,000 gallons per month, per thousand gallons, 20c.
100,000 to 200,000 gallons per month, per thousand, 17½c.
200,000 to 300,000 gallons per month, per thousand, 15c.
Over 300,000 gallons per month, per thousand, 12½c.
All meter accounts subject to ten per cent discount if paid within fifteen days after becoming due. Meter rentals to remain as at present. Frontage tax for all pipes of four inch and upwards to be levied at the rate of three cents per foot.

No Information

Just what the above rates on present consumption will produce, and how much more revenue the city will derive, are points which the committee did not touch upon and in fact beyond the above data there was absolutely no information forthcoming as to how the rates were arrived at.

Alderman Cameron, chairman of the committee, stated that the above rates were submitted merely in a tentative sort of a way, and would doubtless be changed when the matter were more fully discussed by the council. The "flat rates" were those for houses in which no meters are installed.

Alderman Fullerton was sorry there were not more details forthcoming. Did the committee have all the necessary data before it, and did it know if the above rates would produce a sufficient revenue? He was of the opinion that three cents per front foot was too high a rate to levy on the water pipes.

Alderman Cameron stated that the committee had all the necessary information before it and could give it.

The report was laid on the table and will be taken up later when the whole question will be fully gone into and considered and any alterations which the council considers necessary can be made.

Though objections have been raised to the method whereby the city intends to get rid of the work of handling the city garbage but instead to enter into an agreement whereby Capt. Gardiner, who now has the contract of hauling the garbage to sea, will take over the entire disposal of garbage, no attention will be paid to them. The agreement with Capt. Gardener was last night submitted and considered. The final ratification of the agreement will not be made until the next meeting.

Want Competition.

The news that the city contemplated contracting with Capt. Gardiner to do the whole work of garbage disposal brought forth complaints from M. Hare, who wrote that he considered it most unfair that the council did not allow others capable of doing the work a chance to submit an offer, but instead chose to give Capt. Gardiner a monopoly of the work. Mr. Hare declared that fair competition was what should be desired by the council.

J. A. Price, engineer of the tug "Morris," also complained that tenders were not called for, thereby excluding other parties who are in the same position to perform the work with equal satisfaction. These complaints were not entertained and the agreement as prepared for signature by Capt. Gardiner was considered.

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RULE OF CASTRO IS SHAKEN OFF

Acting President Gomez in Venezuela Appoints Entirely New Ministry

POPULAR VOICE OBEYED

Member of Castro's Suite Denies Army and Navy Equipment Story

Port of Spain, Dec. 21.—President Vincente Gomez, to whom General Cypriano Castro handed over the presidency on his departure for Europe, has established a new government in Venezuela. He replaced the old ministry, the leader of which was Dr. Jose de Jesus Paul, the foreign minister, who has been the one figure, outside of Castro himself, in the negotiations that culminated in the ousting of Minister De Reus, and the severance of diplomatic relations with Holland, with a new body of men, who represent various factions in the state and who have figured prominently in various ways in the political history of the country.

Not only has Dr. Paul disappeared from the councils of the nation, but Dr. Baldo, who is now travelling in Castro's suite abroad, also has been removed from his political position as minister of education. Gen. Diego Ferren, the minister of war, who also was war minister in the cabinet of Acting President Gomez in 1906, has been superseded by Gen. Oliver, who took a prominent part in crushing the revolutionists six years ago.

The new cabinet is composed as follows: Minister of interior, Linares Alcantara; minister of foreign affairs, Gonzales Guinaud; minister of finance, Munoz Tebar; minister of war, Gen. Olivzares; minister of fomento (patronage), Rafael Carabano Obras; minister of public works, Doberto Vargets; minister of public instruction, Dr. Maldonado.

Advices received from Caracas, where the strictest censorship is being observed, indicate that the whole of Venezuela has been in a ferment ever since President Castro left, and that the crisis was reached a few days ago when it became necessary for Acting President Gomez to take decisive steps which he did by eliminating from his cabinet those who were closely affiliated with the Castro rule and under the Castro domination. The revolutionary factions, which gained strength with every hour of Castro's absence, played a prominent part in the demonstrations against the absent president, which took the form of rioting and incendiarism. These were checked by a show of force, and later the revolutionary influence that threatened to sweep the country was overcome in a measure by promises that could not be held long in abeyance.

The establishment of a new government in Venezuela was expected from day to day, and it is probable that it was the outcome of the anti-Castro and Gomez demonstrations which began at Caracas and other places in Venezuela almost the very day President Castro sailed for Europe. Before leaving, Castro, in proclaiming Vice-President Gomez his successor, said to the nation: "Surround him and lend your co-operation in the fulfilment of his mission as if it were myself, and you will have done your duty."

In the same proclamation, President Castro gave utterance to what might be taken as a farewell message: "The Venezuelan nation is already on the road to prosperity and greatness because of the strict fulfillment of obligations and the sound condition of the revenues, and because of the state of peace which we enjoy, and which it is your duty to maintain, that my work may endure."

Beyond Restraint.

Ever since then events have moved swiftly in Venezuela, and on Dec. 14th the people of Caracas, unable longer to restrain their passion, arose against Castro. They tore down their own statues and pictures of the president and burned them in the public square. They wrecked buildings and applied the torch, sweeping through the city and gathering strength and fury with every new act of violence. It then seemed certain that Castro's rule had ended. Gomez himself, in the position of acting president, was far from secure. It was brought forcibly to him that he must either withdraw from that office or cast aside those of Castro's ministers who were still trying to force the Castro rule upon the people. Apparently he chose the latter course. He first declared the country in a state of defence, thereby securing control of the army, and then appointed a new cabinet, the members of which represent a diversity of factions.

On several other occasions when Castro has turned over the government to Vice-President Gomez, it was freely predicted that Gomez would succeed Castro as president of the republic. He had many supporters from the anti-Castro camp, chief among those in favor of his candidacy being Gen. Arango, the former minister of war, who worked earnestly to place Gomez in power. While seemingly Gomez had been an ardent supporter of Castro, he has maintained time and again that he did not favor the foreign policy of the government, declaring that the treatment accorded the United States and France was ill-advised and that he was not in sympathy with the conduct of internal affairs. He has even expressed the opinion that he was not trusted by President Castro, although the president gave denial to this by appointing him to act as president while he himself was absent.

President Castro, who is now in Dr. Israel's hospital in Berlin, has persistently declined to believe the reports of the revolutionary movement in this country. He has admitted receiving dispatches daily from the government, but has declared that these contained no word of internal dissension. His mission to Europe was for the treatment of a malady from which he has long suffered, but on occasions he has said that he was on a diplomatic mission to Europe as well, and the settling of the differences between Venezuela and France, and those of the other powers would meet his proposals.

Aquile Sturbe has been appointed governor of Caracas by Acting President Gomez.

Maracaibo Conspiracy

Willemstad, Curacao, Dec. 21.—Letters received here tell of the discovery of a plot to assassinate General Bello, commander of Fort San Carlos, at Maracaibo. The conspirators were captured and shot.

Castro in Berlin

Berlin, Dec. 21.—Castro's alleged army and navy plans are declared emphatically by a member of his suite to be absolute inventions. Several German firms, he said, without the slightest authority, sent in propositions with regard to war supplies, but President Castro did not even give them consideration. The president today underwent two examinations by Dr. Israel, who is still undecided as to an operation. Castro's quarters at the hospital, which comprise ten rooms, have been refitted. They have been rearranged into a reception and dining room, an office and bed-rooms. The president's meals are brought in daily from the restaurants, but are served by the president's own attendants.

LIBERAL MINISTER ON HOUSE OF LORDS

Lloyd-George Threatens the "Throne of King Lansdowne"

Liverpool, Dec. 21.—David Lloyd-George, the chancellor of the exchequer, addressing a meeting tonight, from which women were rigorously excluded, to prevent suffragette disturbances, denounced the veto of the Liberal bills by the House of Lords and predicted that the country would shatter the throne of King Lansdowne, "who had usurped the sovereignty that no king had claimed since Charles." With regard to old age pensions, the chancellor said he could find the money needed "without taxing anybody's bread or interfering with any productive industry."

TO PUBLISH SATURDAY

Owing to the heavy amount of foreign advertising that we have under contract to be published on Saturday, the 26th, the Colonist will go to press as usual the day after Christmas.

C. & E. RAILWAY

Mr. Mann Says the Story of Its Purchase by Canadian Northern is Perfect Rot

Toronto, Dec. 21.—"That piece of railway between Calgary and Edmonton is owned by the C. P. R., not leased. We have not been trying to buy it, because we would have just as much chance to get it as we would did we try to buy out the main line of the C. P. R. between Port Arthur and Winnipeg, for example. The story is perfect rot. There is nothing in it."

This was the reply of Vice-President Mann of the C. N. R. to the story from Winnipeg that the Calgary and Edmonton line was merely leased by the C. P. R., that the lease expired in June, and that the C. N. R. was seeking to buy it.

Victim of Gas.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Denis Landry, aged 19 years, a candymaker, was asphyxiated by gas in his room in a boarding house, Church street, early Sunday morning. The gas was turned off at the meter, but Landry did not close the jet in his room at the time, and when the gas was later turned on it caused his asphyxiation.

Intercolonial Railway

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—Regarding the report current in Toronto that the Intercolonial railway is to be leased to a private company, Hon. G. P. Graham said this morning that after a year's experience he had found that some improvement must be made, and that he is casting about to arrive at that improvement. Suggestions have been made looking to the placing of the management of the road under a commission, while some people favor leasing the line to a company. The whole consideration has so far been general, and no decision has been arrived at or is in sight.

Erroneous Rumors Spread

Montreal, Dec. 21.—In some mysterious manner the rumor started through the city yesterday afternoon that King Edward's indisposition had suddenly assumed a dangerous aspect, and that it was feared His Majesty would not live through the night. Although no one knew whence the rumor came, the report spread through the city, and in every direction enquiries were being made in regard to His Majesty's health. To such an extent did this occur that a special messenger was sent to inform Rev. Dr. Johnston, of the American Presbyterian church, with a request that special prayers be offered for the health of His Majesty.

Fight With Timber Wolves.

Winnipeg. Dec. 21.—Armed with only an axe, Joseph Frost, of Kenora, had a terrible experience with two timber wolves last week near Garwood. He was returning from the bush, where he had been cutting wood, when two large wolves sprang at him. Using his axe freely, he managed to keep the animals at bay for a few minutes, but when the battle seemed hopeless a freight train passed and the animals ran into the bush. Torn clothes and a bloody axe showed the terrible experience he had been through. Owing to the scarcity of rabbits the wolves this winter are very bold, and appear more numerous than for several years past.

MARINE AFFAIRS BADLY TANGLED

Commander Spain's Expenses and His Missing Book of Accounts

QUEBEC CHEQUE MYSTERY

Officials of Montreal and People's Banks Further Examined

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—Auditor-General Fraser was called as a witness before the Cassels inquiry into the affairs of the marine department this morning, and was closely questioned regarding the traveling expenses of Commander Spain, which, according to a memorandum of Mr. Fraser, were put in by Spain when he was holding court as wreck commissioner in Montreal. Spain's explanation was that any mistakes arose through the losing of his account book, in which particulars of his expenses were kept.

To Mr. Watson, Mr. Fraser said he was unable to pass Spain's accounts.

Commander Spain followed. Asked regarding the statement of Auditor-General Fraser that he (Commander Spain) had charged the marine department for traveling expenses to Fort William and back when he was actually employed in Montreal, Spain said he went to Fort William, that expenses had only been charged for once, but the dates were wrong and he was unable to give correct ones.

F. S. Mearns, secretary of the Canadian Fog Signal Co., was called regarding the alleged excessive profit on signals sold to the department, but declared there was no record of the actual cost of signals.

At the afternoon session C. H. Carter, accountant of the Bank of Montreal at Quebec, produced the books of the former agency of the People's Bank of Halifax in that city, and the accounts of Holliday Bros., Agent Gregory and Mr. Van Felson were examined in an effort to trace the $3,000 bribe alleged to have been given in connection with the cheques for the services of the King Edward. There was nothing in any of the accounts to show this.

Mr. Van Felson again took the stand and endeavored to clear up the doubt as to the date on which he says he paid Boudreauet the money, but he was unable to do much in this regard.

Judge Cassels asked him if he was endeavoring to locate the cheques signed by Holliday, which he says he got cashed, and witness replied that he was. The judge remarked that he could not wait a year.

The remainder of the afternoon was occupied in hearing the evidence of several prominent business men, who have had dealings with the department, all of whom denied ever having given officials of the department any commission.

FIELD FOR SIKHS

Proposed Plan for Engagement of Ten Thousand on Plantations in Southern States

Vancouver, Dec. 21.—Ten thousand Sikhs from northern India are to be located on plantations of the southern states, especially Louisiana, where labor conditions are said to be very favorable. This is the ambitious project Teja Singh, the leader of the local East Indian colony, plans to carry out during the coming year.

Although the details are withheld for the present, Teja Singh declares that the letter and spirit of the contract labor law prohibiting the importation of aliens under contract into the United States will not be violated.

He is receiving the co-operation of T. C. Crawford, of 2028 Summit avenue, Passadena, Cal., who registered from London, England, at the Hotel Vancouver, last Monday. Mr. Crawford endeavored to make it quite clear that his motives in the matter are purely altruistic and disinterested. He has had numerous conferences with the Sikh leader since his arrival in Vancouver.

WARMAN SCORCHED

Business Part of Little Saskatchewan Town Wiped Out Early Yesterday

Warman, Sask., Dec. 21.—Early this morning fire broke out in the Commercial hotel, and with a brisk breeze from the northwest rapidly spread to adjacent buildings, and before the fire was under control the entire business portion of the town had been destroyed. The work of the fire fighters was of little avail ,excepting to save the residence portion of the town. Warman is situated on the Canadian Northern railway, fourteen miles east of Saskatoon, and named after Cy Warman, the author.

Nova Scotia Silver

Halifax, Dec. 21—A rich find of silver is reported from Musquodobolt, in this county, and Miss Bessie Dunbrack, a former housekeeper of the Fifth Avenue hotel, New York, has applied to the provincial mines department for 250 acres. Traces of silver had been found in this district previously.

Drunken Father's Crime

Charlottetown, P.E.I., Dec. 21.—John Perry, formerly of Moncton, but now of this city, tried to roast his five year old son in a hot oven last night. The boy was too big, and although the father jammed him into the oven, he was unable to shut the doors. Then he pulled him out and threw him against a well. With his head covered with blood, the little fellow made his way to a neighbor's house and told his story. Perry was crazed with liquor. He was arrested today.

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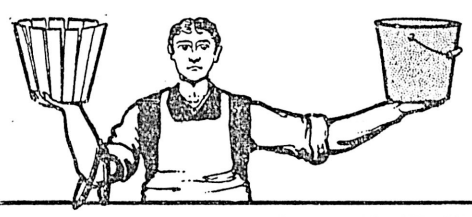

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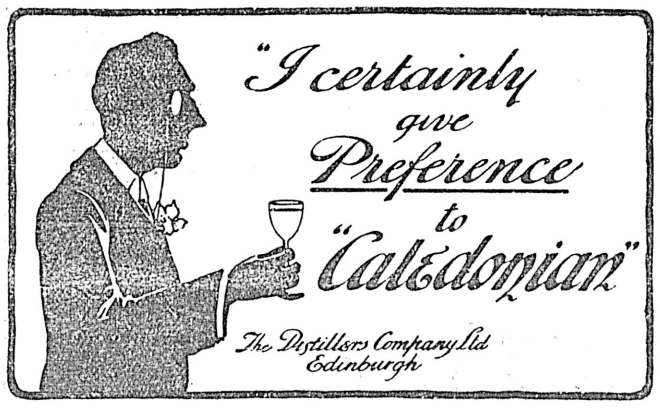

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Recommendation of Water Expert is Adopted Without Discussion

On the recommendation of the city water expert, Arthur L. Adams, the city purchasing agent and the city engineer the contract for the salt water high pressure pumps will be awarded to the D'Olier Engineering company, the local agent of which is J. K. Rebbeck. The tenders which were opened at last Friday's meeting of the streets, bridges and sewers committee, were referred to the committee for consideration and that body reported to the council last night. Five tenders in all were received and various prices for different styles of engines, electrical and steam, were submitted. The intention is to install duplicate pumps, one driven by electricity and one by steam, so that in case of accident should one source of power fail, the other will be available. The report of the committee was as follows:

Gentlemen—We, your committee, to whom has been referred the tenders for the supplying to the city of Victoria the pumping machinery in connection with the proposed salt water fire protection installation beg to report as follows:

Tenders have been received from the following firms; all of which are regular in every respect with the exception of the Watson Stillman company, which is unaccompanied by any detailed information:

D'Olier Engineering Co.; Hutchinson Bros. Co.; Rithet & Co.; Victoria Machinery Depot Co.; Canadian General Electric Co.; Watson Stillman Co.

By reference to the herewith attached schedule showing these propositions in detail it will be observed that the D'Olier Engineering Co. makes the lowest tenders and Rithet & Co. the next lowest. The D'Olier Engineering Co. submit propositions as follows:

For the Electric Driven Unit they propose to furnish a general electric Westinghouse or Western motor direct connected to a D'Olier 4-staged Turbine Pump provided either with a bronze runner or a cast iron runner, a difference of course, being made in the price as is indicated in the schedule.

For the Steam Driven Unit, they make tenders covering both a Kerr, Terry and De Laval Steam Turbine directly connected in each case to either a two-stage or a three-stage D'Olier Turbine Pump provided either with cast iron or bronze runners and diffusion veins. Each of these tenders, of course, differs in price, all of which is indicated on the enclosed schedule. If awarded the contract for both units they offer to make a reduction in their combined tenders for the two of $450.

Rithet & Co. propose furnishing for the electric driven unit a Bullock Generator direct connected to a two-staged Worthington Turbine Pump provided with either bronze or a cast iron runner there being some difference in price between the two as indicated on the schedule. The efficiencies guaranteed by both of these companies are substantially the same.

We recommend the acceptance of the tender of the D'Olier Engineering company for the supplying of the following equipment:

1. Electric Driven unit consisting of General Electric Motor direct connected to two two-staged D'Olier Turbine Pumps provided with bronze runners and diffusion veins and one Steam Driven Unit consisting of a Kerr Steam Turbine direct connected to one O'Olier three-staged Turbine Pump at a price for the two set up complete in place in accordance with the specifications of $17,630.

This installation is to be completed by about May 15, 1909.

We recommend that the city solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary contract.

We recommend that the check of R. P. Rithet & Co. be retained until such time as the contract with the D'Olier Engineering company is closed.

NEW WATER RATES BEFORE THE COUNCIL

(Continued from Page One)

The agreement will take effect from December 31 next. It provides that Capt. Gardiner shall supply the tug Fern and all the necessary equipment and scows. Capt. Gardiner is not only to carry out to sea the garbage which cannot be burned at the furnace at the garbage wharf at the foot of Telegraph street, but he will also take charge of the furnace. In fact he will handle the garbage from the time it reaches the wharf. He is not to be liable for repairs to the furnace in any case where the repairs required are not necessary throught any fault of his own. The present fee of 15 cents per load collected by the city will be turned over to Capt. Gardiner. A man will be stationed at the wharf during the day for the purpose of receiving the garbage and a record of all tickets will be kept for civic inspection. Capt. Gardiner will be paid the sum of $2,882 per year, or $235.16 per month, payable on the first of each month. It is also provided that if for more than one day of twenty-four hours Capt. Gardiner neglects to carry out his agreement and fails to dispose of the garbage or by any act of neglect does not carry out his contract the agreement can be cancelled by the city. The agreement will also terminate should any government or public authority forbid the disposal of garbage in the manner stated and in such cases Capt. Gardiner will have no claim for damages. He must also agree not to employ Oriental labor, and must pay the current wage paid for similar work in the city.

Want Changes in Law

The city solicitors will communicate with the minister of justice at Ottawa in an endeavor to secure some needed amendments to the Criminal Code to permit of the enforcement, under the Code, of the statute passed last session prohibiting the sale or having in possession of opium prepared for smoking. This statute does not afford the police any authority to make search or seize opium prepared for smoking nor does it create as an offence the frequenting of opium joints or dens and to give effect to the intention of the act of parliament some further legislation is necessary. The city solicitors suggest some amendments to the Code which would make the smoking or inhaling of opium an offence and the frequenting of opium joints or dens an offence under the heading "vagrancy." They also suggest that the police should be empowered to search, upon warrant, opium joints or dens, adopting the procedure contained in the Criminal Code in respect to gambling and disorderly houses. A draft resolution embodying the above features was forwarded to the council by the city solicitors and passed. Copies will be forwarded to the minister of justice and to the British Columbia members in the Dominion House while the Union of Municipalities, at the annual convention, will be requested to support the city's application.

City Solicitor Mann explained, relative to the above, that on July 29 last the act to prohibit the manufacture or sale of opium except for medicinal purposes was passed and the collector of customs here notified that all stocks of opium in bond were placed under his charge but evidently he did not read his instructions aright and a large amount of the drug had been taken out of bond. Where this opium is now is a question but the greater portion of it is supposed to be here. The police state that if the amendments suggested are passed and made law it will strengthen their hands a great deal and enable them to deal with the matter.

Finally Take Action

At last the council has taken action in the matter of the complaint of William Neal, who has repeatedly objected to the presence of a China wash house in the premises owned by Dr. Morrison at the corner of Fort and Quadra streets. The inquiry required by the provisions of the Municipal Clauses act, before the city can proceed to order the abatement of the nuisance, has been held but no further action taken until last night when the council decided that Dr. Morrison shall have until March 31 in which to remove the wash house. The question of whether the city had the right to demolish the buildings, should Dr. Morrison refuse to obey the council's mandate, created considerable discussion, City Solicitor Mann maintaining that the city has the right.

The discussion brought out the fact that the council's decision relative to the premises on Store street, owned by L. Quagliotti, and concerning which complaint has been made, has not been carried out. An inquiry in that case was also held and the decision arrived at that the wash house should be removed from the premises while other portions of the building used for a restaurant and barber shop should be repaired and put in a sanitary condition. By whose mistake it was is not known, but the sanitary inspector proceeding, as he claims, on the order sent him by the city, has allowed the wash house to continue after certain improvements had been made.

Alderman Mable wanted to know why the council's orders had not been carried out and Alderman Fullerton declared that the council had evidently made a botch of the whole wash-house bylaw. The measure should have been made to apply to all wash houses which did not meet the provisions of the bylaw, but with the exception of the above two places nothing had been done.

Will Find Out

Alderman Gleason remarked that the sanitary inspector has stated that he still possesses the order sent by the city to him relative to the Store street premises, and the former suggested that the matter be sifted to the bottom in order that it might be ascertained just who was responsible for the order not being carried out as the council intended.

The three bylaws which will be submitted to the ratepayers at the forthcoming elections were introduced and put through their various stages and will be finally passed at the next meeting of the council. These bylaws are the School Loan bylaw, to raise $65,000; the Sewer Loan bylaw, to raise $50,000, and the bylaw to raise $35,000 for alterations to the city hall. The necessary petitions for the two latter measures have been presented by ratepayers representing more than one-tenth of the city's total assessment In the case of the school bylaw, to provide funds for the new school to be erected at the corner of Moss street and Fairfield road, and also the balance required for the Chambers street school, the school board asked for $60,000 net. Accordingly the council will submit a bylaw for $65,000, so that in case the debentures sell at a discount the full amount required by the board will be forthcoming.

The bylaw providing for the raising of funds for City hall improvements was held over. In the bylaw the amount to be raised was put at $36,000, and the rate was figured at that basis. The measure should only call for raising $35,000, and consequently the details in the measure submitted last night were incorrect.

Fixes Election Date

A resolution fixing the dates and places at which the mayoralty and aldermanic elections will take place, were decided upon. January 14 will be the election day and January 11 nomination day. The voting for mayor will take place in the courtroom at the city hall and for alderman in the Market building, Cormorant street, while voting for school trustees will be held in the old fire hall, immediately west of the city hall on Pandora avenue. W. W. Northcott was appointed returning officer and the following deputies were appointed on a ballot: William Dalby, for mayor; John Taylor, ward one; David Spragg, ward two; J. B. McCallum, ward three; G. Mesher, ward four; T. G. Raynor, ward five.

The city assessor reported on a long list of local improvements against which no adverse petitions had been received and which can be accordingly be proceeded with. The necessary bylaw will be passed.

The request of the Brakeman-Ker Milling company and others that the water main be extended from Harriet street to the end of Gorge road and that the city bear a portion of the cost as the main will pass the city property, was referred to the water commissioner. The cost of the extension will be $1,000.

Among the various amounts passed on recommendation of the finance committee was one for $3,545 for sewer work, and another for $10,000 for work at Smith's Hill reservoir.

Street Committee Report

The streets, bridges and sewers committee report was adopted as follows:

Gentlemen — Your streets, bridges, sewers and water committee having considered the undermentioned subjects, beg to report and recommend as follows:

Re tenders for pump:

The following tenders for pumps for the high pressure salt water fire protection system, were presented to your committee, and in order to save time in making the award of the contract, and allow of them being adjudicated upon by Mr. Arthur L. Adams, water works consulting engineer, the same were, on motion opened and referred to Mr. Adams, the purchasing agent and the city engineer, for report to the council, namely:

Watson Stillman & Co., $9,350 and $7,350.

Hutchinson Bros., $11,300 and $10,550.

Victoria Machinery Depot Co., $9,990 and $9,054.

Canadian General Electric Co., $10,275 and $13,945.

R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd., $9,935 and $8,995.

D. O'Lier Engineering Co. per Jas. K. Rebbec, $8,960 and $8,770.

Recommended that the city engineer be instructed to have the floor of the new fire halls paved with creosoted wooden blocks, and lower the grade of the approach to the Kingston street hall.

Recommended that Mr. H. T. Knott be informed in reply to his request for a sewer on the south side of Pandora street from Vancouver street, easterly, that your committee cannot comply with his request at present as there are no funds on hand for sewer purposes, but should the additional sewer loan bylaw passed the ratepayers the same will be given attention.

Re communication from the Honorable J. S. Helmcken re appropriation for drainage and making the roadway on a new street from Wallace street to Rupert street, as per agreement between himself and the city.

Recommended that Mr. Helmcken be given the assurance of the council that the work will be carried out in accordance with the agreement at as early a date as possible.

Re communication of Oliver Johnson for permission to move a building across Esquimalt Road from the premises of the Victoria Machinery Depot company to a lot on the opposite side of the street.

Recommended that the city engineer be authorized to grant the request subject to the usual conditions imposed in such cases.

Recommended that the request of James O. Nicholl for the extension of the 4-foot sidewalk (plank) on Bushby street, for a distance of 50 feet, be ge granted. Estimated cost $14.00.

Re communication of J. J. Galbraith for a surface drain on Queen's avenue.

Recommended that Mr. Galbraith be informed that the council has no funds for surface drainage purposes other than for those drains which are provided for in the main surface drainage loan by-law, but should there be a balance on hand when the work contemplated in the by-law is finished, his request will be given consideration.

Re communication of James M. Mellis re improvement of Ladysmith street.

Recommended that the writer be informed that all the necessary steps for the improvement of this street as a work of local improvement have been taken, and that the work will be commenced in the near future.

All expenditures contemplated in the foregoing to be subject to favorable report thereon by the finance committee, and adoption of said report by the council.

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OAK BAY COUNCIL MET LAST NIGHT

Instructions Given for Work on Golf Links—Reports Adopted

That the excavation, caused by the removal of gravel from the Oak Bay golf links, be levelled was the effect of a motion passed at the regular meeting of the council and of the district held last evening. Acting Reeve Henderson occupied the chair and there were present Councillors Noble, Fernie and McGregor.

Proceedings were opened by the reading of several reports by Clerk J. F. Floyd. They came from the roads, bridges and sewers and the law committee and both dealt with matters of a strictly routine character. They were adopted without discussion.

The resolution with regard to the carrying out of the terms of the agreement entered into between the council and the management of the Oak Bay golf links, the terms of which gave the municipality the right to remove gravel on certain conditions, was introduced. As stated it provided that the work of levelling the surface of the ground in the neighborhood of the sixteenth hole on the area be proceeded with immediately. It carried unanimously.

The announcement was made that there would be one more meeting of the Oak Bay council before the annual election on the 4th of next month at the school house just completed on Oak Bay avenue. The arrangements for the usual public meeting, at which the ratepayers and their representatives will discuss he municipal work of the past year was left in abeyance.

The meeting then adjourned.

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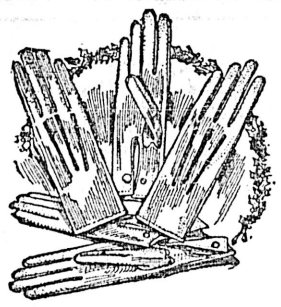

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By the accidental discharge of a shot gun which he was carrying by the muzzle Joseph Evans, residing near Elk lake, South Saanich, was almost instantly killed on Sunday afternoon about 2 o'clock. The full charge of buckshot struck him in the side causing a hideous wound from the effects of which he expired before aid could be summoned.

According to the story told by James Pidgeon, a blacksmith of Keatings Crossing, and a friend of Evans, the two had met a short distance from Evans' place of abode. The latter had heard a shot fired in the immediate neighborhood and thinking that possibly there would be an opportunity of getting a shot at some quail had taken his gun and come outside. He was about to return to his house when Pidgeon came along the road and the two conversed for some time, Evans asking Pidgeon to come into the house and spend a few minutes. The latter consented and the two walked towards the house, Evans holding the gun by the muzzle. He was in the lead and as he started up the steps leading to the front door the butt of the gun struck the steps, the force of the blow discharging it. From the position of the gun the muzzle was turned almost directly towards Evans' body into which the full charge was poured. Without a word Evans fell to the verandah and when Pidgeon rushed up to him he was covered with blood and unable to speak. He died a few minutes before Pidgeon, who had run for assistance, returned.

The municipal constable was notified and Dr. Hart summoned but by the time he arrived Evans had been dead some time. An inquest will be held this afternoon at the city hall.

Joseph Evans has resided near Elk Lake for some two or three years. He was a single man and lived alone in a cabin near the lake. He was about 38 years of age. He was the man who was instrumental in capturing the hold-up man, J. White, who several months ago operated in the Colwood and Saanich districts and was convicted and sent to the penitentiary for ten years. Evans met White in the Elk lake district and under the pretence of taking him to a neighbor's, Mr. Cadham, where he could secure a meal, left him there while he (Evans) notiffied the police authorities, who captured White while the latter was eating at Cadham's. Evans leaves surviving him a sister, Mrs. Gunter, residing in Oak Bay.

JAPANESE COLONY IN PRAIRIE PROVINCE

Founder En Route to Nippon Tells of the Undertaking

A passenger on the Shinano Maru, the Japanese liner which leaves today for the Far East, will be Mr. Buemon Nagatani, who has come into prominence during the past year as the founder of a Japanese agricultural colony near Strathmore, Alta. Mr. Nagatani is making a short visit to his native land, and will return to Canada with his wife early in March.

Mr. Nagatani's experience in Canada has been interesting. Some eight years ago, having just graduated from the Imperial University in Tokio, he came to this country to make a study of Canadian life and institutions. He attended a private college in Kingston, Ont., for a year, and later Pickering college, Pickering, Ont. Mastering the English language, he was in the meantime making a careful study of conditions in the Dominion, and on leaving Pickering he decided that his future work lay in the vast wheat fields of the Canadian West. To that end he entered the Ontario Agricultural college at Guelph, Ont., where he took a two years' course in the practical aspects of farming. This was his preparation for the work that was later to absorb his energies.

It was nothing less than the establishment of a large Japanese community in the Canadian West that Mr. Nagatani contemplated. No sooner had he obtained his diploma from Guelph than he came out west, and looked over the farming situation, gaining information that induced him to return to Japan with the intention of forming a joint stock company for the purpose of carrying on farming operations in Alberta.

In his native city, Kioto, the ancient capital of Japan, Mr. Nagatani set about interesting capitalists in his scheme. It was a big undertaking, as Canada was practically a terra incognita in that district, and men of means hesitated about investing their capital without definite information. However, Mr. Nagatani persevered, and his enterprise was well under way when news came of the riots in Vancouver. This all but wrecked the colonization scheme. It was with the greatest difficulty that Mr. Nagatani succeeded in interesting sufficient capital in the movement to carry it through. Finally he was able to form a company called the Canada Farming company, with a capital of one million yen ($500,000), and last March the first contingent of ten farmers came out and settled near Strathmore, Alberta. In an interview Mr. Nagatani said:

"The enterprise is a pronounced success, in spite of the fact that the immigration difficulties have rendered it impossible for us to expand as rapidly as we had intended. We now have a farm of one thousand acres under cultivation, and the prospects are very bright indeed.

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"The contract which each settler is obliged to sign, stipuates that they shall engage only in farming. This is binding for three years. In the event of their refusing to abide by this clause, they are returned to Japan. If, however, they agree, their families are brought out and a house built for them."

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FRUIT CULTURE

George Heatherbell Returns From Extensive Lecturing Tour Throughout the Province

George Heatherbell, a lecturer of the Farmers' Institute, who has been making an extensive lecturing tour through the province for the provincial department of agriculture arrived in the city yesterday on his return to his home at Colwood. During his trip he visited the leading fruit growing centres of the mainland, Kamloops, Grand Pre, Campbell creek, Penticton, Peachland, Summerland, Kelowna and other points at each of which he gave lectures on the topic "Fruit Culture." For the past twenty-six years Mr. Heatherbell has been lecturing under the direction of the provincial department and with his intimate knowledge of the subject has done much towards improving the industry in British Columbia. He believes that if the farmer would grow good fruit and good fruit only and not cultivate too many varieties they would secure better results and their produce would meet with a better demand. The importing countries, the Old Country and also the home market demand a good quality of fruit and for all such the demand even at present is so great that it cannot be satisfied. At present the mainland growers are agitating for better freight rates, the present high rates being a potent factor against the grower.

Mr. Heatherbell states that everywhere he went the meetings were well attended and the greatest interest was shown by the growers who are anxious to produce only the best quality of fruit and to whom the lectures instituted by the department have proved a great benefit.

The season's herring catch at Stornoway is 5,430 crans, value $19,600.

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THE NEW MINISTER.

There will be very general satisfaction over the appointment of Mr. Thomas Taylor, M.P.P. for Revelstoke, to the new office of Minister of Public Works. Mr. Taylor has been a member of the legislature since 1900 and has gained a deserved reputation as a man of affairs and of excellent general knowledge, besides winning the friendship of members on both sides of the House. He will make a very efficient head of the new department, and his selection for the post is defensible on territorial as well as personal grounds. The Colonist congratulates Mr. Taylor upon his appointment and also the members of the government upon such an excellent addition to their ranks. Mr. Taylor will bring to bear upon the duties of his new position sound judgment, a knowledge of the needs of the province and a reputation for straightforwardness and integrity.

The Colonist was among the first to urge that the very heavy responsibilities resting upon the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works should be divided. Mr. Fulton has filled the dual position with great ability, but it has been evident for some time that, in view of the rapid development of the province, it would be unreasonable to expect one Minister to administer the public lands and attend to the very numerous public works, which will have to be undertaken. The act authorizing the establishment of the new portfolio was passed at the last session of the House, but the government has deferred bringing it into operation. In view of the work that will have to be done in what people have got in the way of calling "New" British Columbia, we think the department has been created none too soon. We assume that the organization of the new staff will be proceeded with at the earliest possible day.

FUTURE OF VICTORIA.

We have said a good deal in the past about Victoria as a terminal point for railway and ocean transportation, but, important as we regard this aspect of the future of the city, it is not in our judgment to be compared with the advantages which will be derived from the development of Vancouver Island. The utilization of the timber resources of this Island alone mean more in the way of trade and more in the way of increase of population than appears on the surface. We had on Sunday a paper from Mr. Gallop, in which he spoke of the region lying west of this city along the North Shore of the Strait and South of the height of land between the rivers flowing into the Strait and the open ocean on the one hand and those flowing into Alberni, Barkley Sound and the Cowichan on the other. He told us that there are about 1,000 square miles of timber land there and said that a conservative estimate of the standing timber would be 30,000 superfeial feet to the acre. This means that there is of merchantable timber in this area fully 20,000,000,000; superficial feet of timber. Placing the value of this, when manufactured at $15.00 a thousand, a low estimate, we have $300,000,000 worth of a most valuable commodity to be brought out of that section of the Island alone, and none of it will come from a point more than fifty miles from Victoria. He told us that there are at least 50,000 acres of land there that will be suitable for farming, when the timber is cut away. He spoke of the known deposits of minerals.

Now let us for the moment look not a great distance from home or into territory in which we may have competition. Lying to the North of the city is the Saanich Peninsula where there can be at least 50,000 acres of fruit lands; lying to the West there are an equal number of acres which are almost if not quite as capable of producing farm produce of all kinds. There is timber sufficient to keep saw mills turning out 200,000,000 feet of lumber a year for 100 years. There are minerals of great but untold value. And yet there are some people who wonder what the future of Victoria is going to be. We will have a railway to the North end of the Island and perhaps more than one. We will have at least one railway with terminals in this city and perhaps more than one. We will have a city that will be the greatest centre of tourist travel, the greatest residential city, and we hope the greatest educational city in Western Canada. But if we had none of these things, the utilization of the resources, which lie right at our door will make this a great and prosperous city.

We tell the people of Victoria that there is no place in all Canada, no place on the whole American continent which can look forward with brighter anticipations than this town of ours. And this development is not far away. Five years will make a difference which will surprise us all.

THE PEACE RIVER REGION.

A despatch to the Toronto Globe gives a summary of an address delivered before the Canadian Club of Montreal on "The Resources of the Peace River District," by Mr. F. Lawrence, and he is thus reported:

He prophesied a great future for that country, saying it was a fact that north of the railway there was more choice agricultural land than the whole of the land that was settled west of Winnipeg; in other words, there were sixty-five million acres of choice agricultural lands north of the railway, and only sixty-three million acres settled west of Winnipeg. At present there was only a handful of white people in Peace River and Mackenzie districts, yet business to the amount of a million dollars was done.

We assume that Mr. Lawrence has not been quite accurately reported, and that he was more explicit than the despatch makes him appear to have been. The expression "north of the railway" is rather vague, for there are three lines crossing the prairies, the Canadian Pacific, the Canadian Northern and the Grand Trunk Pacific. We assume that he meant north of any railway. The statement is exceedingly interesting and we have very little doubt that time will show the estimate to be considerably under, rather than over the mark. The following details are very interesting:

Mr. Lawrence owns a flour mill 700 miles north of Edmonton. It turns out flour by the roller process, is electrically lighted and modern in every respect. On his farm he grows wheat which goes over seventy bushels to the acre. In his garden he has twenty-five varieties of flowers, and every variety of vegetables, including tomatoes, squash, etc. Wild fruits grow in abundance. The district has the greatest inland fisheries in North America, lakes like Great Bear Lake and Great Slave Lake all teeming with fish. Of timber also there was plenty, one-half of the country north of the railway as far as the tree line being covered with poplar, spruce and birch. Athabasca district had an asphalt deposit, estimated at six billion four hundred million tons, and the country was rich in gold, coal and natural gas. Concluding, the speaker urged the importance of the introduction of reindeer into Peace River district, as an assistance in carrying the mails.

The development of this part of Canada means more for British Columbia than appears at first sight. A large part of the Peace River Valley, and by no means the least valuable, is in this province, and the whole region is more directly tributary to the Western Coast of Canada than to the eastern. If we take Peace River Landing as a central point and, with a line joining it with Victoria as a radius, sweep a circle on the map, we will find it will cross the Canadian Pacific at Swift Current, which is 510 miles west of Winnipeg. If we take Dunvegan, which is, perhaps, more truly to be regarded as the centre of the Peace River valley, and, with a line to Victoria as the radius, sweep a circle, we will find that it will cross the Canadian Pacific at Medicine Hat, which is 660 miles west of Winnipeg and the Canadian Northern and the Grand Trunk Pacific at points about as far from Winnipeg in a straight line as Dunvegan is from Victoria in a straight line. Dunvegan is nearly twice as far from Churchill on Hudson Bay as from Victoria and more than twice as far from Prince Rupert.

It seems to us that we have in these facts matters of extreme interest to the people of this province, and that the way in which they can be turned to our greatest advantage calls for the best consideration which the provincial government, the legislatures and the various commercial bodies of the Coast cities can bring to bear upon it. It is said that both the Canadian Pacific and the Grand Trunk Pacific have survey parties in the district mentioned. We have some idea of the plans of the Grand Trunk Pacific in this connection, for Mr. Hays has said:

At present the wheat crop is either hurried to the ports on the great lakes, Duluth, Fort William and Chicago, during the few weeks between threshing and the closing of lake navigation in November, or it is held up for six months in elevators at a considerable cost, or again, if it is carried through to the eastern seaboard in winter, when the St. Lawrence route is closed by ice, the long haul through heavy snows makes the operation difficult, costly, and even disastrous both for the railway and to the farmer. Westbound from Saskatchewan and Alberta to Prince Rupert, the grades are easy; there is very little snow in winter, so that when the Panama canal opens in six years I look to see Prince Rupert one of the very great grain ports of the world. I have more than once ventured the prediction that in my lifetime we shall haul to the Pacific as much grain as we shall haul to the Atlantic.

As a newspaper having the interests of all British Columbia at heart, the Colonist views with satisfaction everything which will have a tendency to build up any part of it, and it appreciates the fact that the development of a great shipping point at the north will indirectly be of great advantage to this city. But with this we cannot in the interest of our own city be satisfied. We believe that the great resources of Vancouver Island and the geographical advantages of its ports are such that railway connection with the Mainland is essential to the proper development of Western Canada, and that by such connection the products of the great interior region above mentioned will find an outlet to the sea, which in point of distance, accessibility and safety combined will be without a peer among the seaports along the Mainland. The time seems to have come when some definite railway programme will have to be considered. Whether such a programme can be determined upon before the legislature meets we do not know. It would be an easy matter for the government and the legislature to make a pretence at a railway policy; but more than a pretence is needed. The people will expect from the provincial government a definite policy coupled with an assurance that it will be carried into effect. We feel we can also add that the people of British Columbia will sustain the government in any well considered plan that will not only open the great undeveloped interior of British Columbia, but will bring the trade, or at least a good share of the trade, of the Peace River country and Northern Alberta.

Reports which reach us from many quarters are to the effect that a distinct revival in the various industries on Vancouver Island is noticeable—particularly in respect to lumbering. Taken on the whole, 1908 has proved a good year for the Island, but the outlook for 1909 is infinitely better.

The North German Lloyd Steamship Company is negotiating for Pacific connections. This is further evidence that we have not started a moment too soon to consider the question of increased dockage accommodation at this port. All signs point to a tremendous increase in the shipping of the Pacific in the immediate future.

Mr. Keary, of New Westminster, is going to take charge of a new evening paper in the Royal City. If he makes as good an editor as he has a mayor, the success of the journalistic venture is already assured, though to the onlooker it would appear that New Westminster is already pretty well served, with two daily papers.

It may be good law, but it is certainly not good sense that a resident of Victoria—a man who lives in the city, pays his water rates and all other taxes which he is by law called upon to pay, is not entitled to a vote because he is over 50 years of age. If this is the law, the sooner it is changed the better.

The railways have handled the 1908 Canadian crop splendidly. Next year there will be vastly improved transportation facilities, but, we are sure, not in any excess of the requirements. The prairie provinces are filling up rapidly with settlers and this, of course, means a constantly increasing crop acreage.

It is a poor month that does not develop a new "scare" in England. The latest is a demand that Britain shall become "mistress of the air." For sensible people, who can match the world in fighting qualities, our good friends in the "right little, tight little island" can work up a "conniption fit" on slighter provocation than any others in the world.

It is said that there are no less than ten thousand actors and actresses out of employment in New York today, the present having proved one of the worst years in the history of the profession. The theory is advanced that the ten cent moving picture shows have thrown many vaudeville people out of work, and in some quarters it is contended that the situation is due in part to the financial depression of last year, which is just beginning to be felt by the masses.

Excellent progress is being made on construction work along the entire route of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, with the exception, of course, of the gaps in the mountains, east and west, contracts for which have not yet been let, and there seems now every assurance that the road will be in full operation at a comparatively early date. That the company is already a factor in the transportation business of Canada is shown by the statement that it already has on hand 6,000 freight cars, 1,400 flat cars, 70 passenger cars and 50 engines.

A few days ago, at Montreal, at the opening of the Montreal Technical Institute, Earl Grey said he regretted the British North America Act prevented the Federal Government aiding higher education, as could be done under the English constitution. The Governor-General declared he anticipated that a step forward would be made at the Imperial Educational Congress, to be held in London in 1911, so that educationalists of different parts of the Empire might be brought in closer touch with each other on education generally, especially higher education.

Senator Perley suggests that members of the Upper House of Parliament should hold office for ten years, but should be eligible for reappointment. This suggestion has a good deal to recommend it. Under such a plan the services of good men could be retained, useless timber could be discarded and the Senate could be made fairly representative of both political parties. We know that in theory the Senate is nonpartizan, but in practice it is not materially different in this respect from the Commons. There are some conspicuous exceptions among the Senators, but not many.

The following special cable despatch from London, dated December 16, will we are sure possess a special interest for the people of Vancouver: "Sir Oliver Lodge, the great electrical scientist, believes that he will be able to shortly rid the British Isles of one of the worst enemies of their prosperity—that variety of fog which from time to time ties up the entire activity of whole communities. The matter is of such commercial importance, leaving out other considerations, that the highways committee of Westminster city council has decided to give the scientist every chance to prove the validity of his discovery."

In ecclesiastical circles at Ottawa a movement has just been launched which is likely to attract a great amount of attention throughout the Dominion. The committee appointed by the Anglican Bishops' Conference to enquire into the character of plays produced at Ottawa theatres met a few days ago. In reporting to the next meeting of the Bishops' Conference the committee will recommend that a joint committee composed of representatives from the Roman Catholic churches, the Ottawa Ministerial Association and the Anglican Clerical Guild, be formed to take the proper steps to prevent the sale of immoral books and the production of immoral plays in the city.

Mr. Thompson, City Engineer of Seattle, says he expects to live to see the day when it will be possible to walk on a cement pavement from the southern boundaries of Tacoma to Everett—meaning thereby that ultimately all that immense area will become thickly settled and occupied as business and residential districts. This prophecy will be accepted by many people as a reasonable one, all the circumstances being considered, and in the light of the knowledge that as yet the development of the Pacific coast has only just begun. Optimism is contagious, and this cheery outlook by the people of Seattle will inspire renewed confidence for the future amongst those who live in the coast cities of British Columbia.

The people of the Old Country do not take kindly to "freaks" of any sort, and therefore it was not surprising that Carrie Nation failed to arouse the sort of enthusiasm which she anticipated. She got a very hostile reception at Glasgow some few days ago. The authorities had not anticipated any trouble, and the 3,000 people who had assembled to welcome the American saloon smasher overran the platform and "booed" her. Considerable hustling took place, in which Mrs. Nation lost her umbrella, which was afterwards found broken. Escorted by policemen and railway porters, she sought refuge in the bar of the Queen Street Station Hotel. Her presence was not desired there, and she had to face the crowd in the street again. At length she found a more appropriate shelter in a temperance hotel. Owing to the threatening attitude of the crowd she has postponed her raid on public houses.

The Berlin correspondent of the Montreal Star is authority for the statement that Emperor William finds his revenues so exhausted by his extravagant ways that he is in desperate need of cash, although his annual income is estimated conservatively at $10,000,000. To quote: "Again and again the Socialist members of the Reichstag have deplored the Emperor's extravagances as frightful, but he recognizes extravagance only in others. The Emperor has been literally pouring out money on works of art, especially on pictures and sculptures, in restoring old German castles and in rebuilding the Achilleion marble palace in Corfu. The Empress, one of the most luxurious women in Europe, found the castle not to her cultured taste. Emperor William spent $1,000,000 in changing and "improving" the castle, and in laying out parks which he himself designed. On his last visit ninety servants accompanied him. Everything the Emperor does is on the same magnificent scale."

Not the least embarrassing of the difficulties confronting the Asquith government is the fact that the Old Age Pension scheme, for which much was hoped in popularizing the administration, has proved a tremendous financial burden owing to the unexpected number of applicants. The number who have applied for relief under the Act is up to the present 153,070 in excess of the estimate made by the Prime Minister and the Chancellor of the Exchequer. Their estimate was 500,000; the latest returns are 653,070, and the number is increasing daily. Of these 367,197 come from England, 193,138 from Ireland, 68,785 from Scotland and 23,950 from Wales. The treasury is amazed at the figures. It had been generally expected that the pension committees would on investigation cut down the applications to something like the original expert estimate, but this enormous number has been passed by the excise officers and practically all of them are sound.

Interviewed at Melbourne a few days ago, Mr. Knox, chairman of the Associated Australasian Chambers of Commerce, expressed the opinion that it is impossible to obtain a formal collective opinion from the Chambers on a reduction of cable rates. He said further: "I feel free to say they hail with great satisfaction the present efforts to secure reduced cable charges. The penny-a-word proposal may be a dream of the future and not within measurable distance of practical attainment. However, I have every reason to believe that a shilling rate at the very least will be hastened by state-owned Atlantic cable and Canadian land lines. Though this view is mainly from a commercial standpoint as yet, imperial considerations are so closely associated with cheap cable rates as to justify a considerable financial sacrifice by the governments interested. I believe the commonwealth will willingly take its share of any practical scheme for cheapening the rates."

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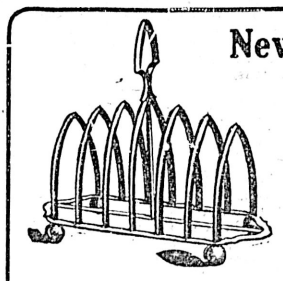
To that end we have been merciless in the price cutting on these china pieces, and we offer you the biggest bargains in good china ever offered Victorians. It'll pay you to come in and see the special tables that contain these pieces—tables at

10c, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c, $1.00

New Arrivals in Toast Racks, $1.50



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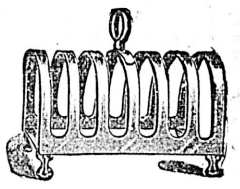

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NOTE AND COMMENT

Interviewed at New York the other day, Melville E. Ingalls, chairman of the board of the Big Four railroad, declared that profit sharing with labor is the real panacea for industrial troubles. He believed in it and was of the opinion that it is bound to come. To quote:

"When I advocated profit-sharing with labor before the National Civic Federation I meant every word I said. One seldom pauses to realize how an idea will grow once it is planted. The seed in good soil will always take root. Just add a little moisture and a little sunshine. Then watch for the flower."

"You are really convinced, then, that railroad magnates and their employees are future business partners?" was asked.

"Why, I am more than convinced, for I know it," replied Mr. Ingalls. "Already the United States Steel Corporation has put a mild form of it into practice—I mean the setting aside of a large block of its preferred stock for its own employees. Many manufacturers throughout the country are doing it, and it only remains for a long-sighted railroad board of directors to grasp the importance of this great economic step."

Dr. Charles W. Eliot, the foremost educationalist of the United States, and for thirty-nine years professor of Harvard University, in an address before the civic forum at Carnegie hall, New York, the other day, took for his topic "Lawlessness," and dealt with all phases of it, personal and corporate. He is quoted as saying:

"The defences of society against criminals have broken down. A state mounted police, with a thorough military organization, is needed in every part of our country—north, south, east and west. The impunity with which crimes of violence are now committed," Dr. Eliot went on, "is a disgrace to the country, and demonstrates the urgent need of much more effective protective forces. A far worse form of lawlessness is the violation of law by rich corporations. Any man, or any corporation, who conducts his business on the edge of the law, so to speak, is morally a lawless person. Another illustration given by Dr. Eliot was the resistance by the Night Riders of Kentucky. It was a case of strong combination fighting combination," he said, "but by unlawful means.

"The Night Riders have finally won remarkable success. Their tobacco has been sold at a price higher than they ever dreamed during the long period of their lawless operations. The worst effect of Night Riding, like the worst effect of lynching, is the barbarizing of the men who do the violence. Lawlessness in connection with public office is the next phase. The buying of public office is a pernicious form of this lawlessness. Society neglects to provide the protective necessary to secure order and peace."

The New York Times prints a table giving the vote by states at the recent United States presidential election. It shows Mr. Taft to have beaten all his opponents combined. The figures for the party votes were:

Republican	7,659,688
Democrat	6,450,690
Socialist	401,506
Independence League	82,330
Socialist-Labor	11,903
Prohibition	228,014
People's Party	29,362

In the above there are returns missing for the minor party candidates from five states, but the fact does not seriously affect the statement.

The votes by states for the leading parties was as follows:

	Rep.	Dem.
Alabama	26,283	74,374
Arkansas	57,791	85,584
California	214,398	127,492
Colorado	123,700	126,644
Connecticut	113,016	68,161
Delaware	25,014	22,071
Florida	10,654	31,104
Georgia	41,692	72,412
Idaho	52,606	36,080
Illinois	629,558	450,819
Indiana	348,903	338,262
Iowa	275,210	200,771
Kansas	197,166	161,209
Kentucky	235,334	244,243
Louisiana	8,958	63,568
Maine	67,120	35,880
Maryland	116,513	115,908
Massachusetts	257,444	155,858
Michigan	323,786	225,057
Minnesota	195,876	109,395
Mississippi	4,463	64,250
Missouri	347,203	346,574
Montana	32,375	29,431
Nebraska	127,103	131,088
Nevada	10,214	10,655
New Hampshire	53,144	33,655
New Jersey	265,298	182,522
New York	870,070	667,100
North Carolina	114,084	136,927
North Dakota	57,771	32,909
Ohio	572,312	502,271
Oklahoma	110,558	122,406
Oregon	62,530	38,049
Pennsylvania	745,779	448,785
Rhode Island	43,809	24,761
South Carolina	3,847	62,289
South Dakota	67,675	40,266
Tennessee	18,287	125,630
Texas	65,666	217,167
Utah	61,015	42,601
Vermont	39,552	11,496
Virginia	52,574	82,956
Washington	106,062	58,383
West Virginia	137,869	111,418
Wisconsin	248,689	166,894
Wyoming	20,826	14,868
Totals	7,659,688	6,450,690

Mr. Bryan ran behind his vote of eight years ago in the following twenty-one states: Alabama, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington.

Five states which were carried by Taft elected Democratic governors. They are Indiana, Ohio, Minnesota, Montana and North Dakota.

The circulating department of the New York public library gives the following as the most popular books of the week ended December 1:

Adult Fiction—Fox's "Trail of the Lonesome Pine," Ward's "Testing of Diana Mallory," McCutcheon's "Man from Brodney's." Juvenile Fiction—Alcott's "Little Women," Tomlinson's "Boys With Old Hickory," Burnett's "Editha's Burglar." Non-Fiction—West's "Reminiscences of Lady Randolph Churchill," Baldwin's "School Management," Horne's "Technique of the Novel."

Montreal has purchased twenty-four snowplows in Hamilton.

FORTY YEARS AGO

The British Colonist, Tuesday, December 22, 1868.

The Tigers' magnificent new steamer will be tested at the corner of Yates and Government streets tomorrow at 1 p.m. The Alhambra balcony will be reserved for the accommodation of ladies and children.

The delightful weather of the past few days awakens recollections of skating reminiscences at Harris pond in January last. A degree or two more cold today would afford "skatists" an opportunity for the display of their talent on Christmas Day.

The Kootenay Diggings—A miner has just arrived at Portland from Perry Creek bringing later news from the new diggings. In following up the creek the gold is found to much coarser than at the place where the original discovery was made. All the claims had been laid over for the winter, but many of the claimants had failed to comply with the mining laws, and in all such cases the ground is liable to be jumped. A large party of Chinamen, under the protection of the gold commissioner had attempted to get a lodgement in the new diggings but were driven out by the miners. The ground, as far as prospected showed a yield of one ounce to the hand, but many of the claims will do better than this. Some two hundred men will winter in the mines.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Mr. Campbell, at the City Temple the other day, expressed a hope to his congregation that he might be spared from the "ungodly" cough. The British Medical Journal wants to know what is an "ungodly cough" and says it may be an expression of opinion. At a run-dress rehearsal of a new play by Sardou the audience, which had applauded the first act, began to cough in the middle of the second. The author at once accepted the judgment, saying "they cough; I always thought that scene was too long." Our contemporary does not like to suggest that this story points a moral which might profitably be taken to heart by preachers, but it adds that it is not only the ungodly who are subject to fits of coughing in church. The problem of the church cough has never, we are further told, been satisfactorily solved. Even holy persons are subject to catarrh and to other causes of irritation of the mucous membrane for which it would be harsh to rank them with the ungodly. "An imperfect heating apparatus or a method of ventilation which might better be described as a complicated system of draughts may sometimes explain the phenomenon. An American scientist some time ago suggested that the coughing in theatres is due to a reflex irritation propagated from the ear to the larynx. The source of the irritation, according to him, is to be found in the strain on the auditory apparatus induced by the effort to hear what is being said." An "ungodly" cough may therefore be due to the infirmity of an untrained preacher.

A story is going about, says the Westminster Gazette, which has the merit of truthfulness. It was told rather ruefully by one of the victims. About eighty City publicans decided to make a protest at a meeting called in support of the Licensing Bill at Wesley's Chapel. They went in solemnly in a body, and, instead of finding themselves in what they believed would be a political meeting, they were asked first to join in the singing of a hymn, then in prayer, and finally, after an address, in a collection. That was the last straw, and eighty publicans in the City are having to submit to merry gibes from customers who have heard the story.

A delegation of Scottish fishermen is now visiting Australia, and, says the London Chronicle, its members have proposed to Sir Thos Bent, Premier of Victoria, the establishment of a fishing colony on Snake Island, some seventy miles to the southeast of Melbourne. They promise to bring out 250 families from Scotland and settle them on this island, where the canning, curing, and oil-extraction industries would provide plenty of employment. They have satisfied themselves that the waters thereabout are well stocked with fish of considerable commercial value. Sir Thomas Bent sympathizes with the scheme, and has requested details for submission to his Cabinet. Snake island has an area of 6,500 acres, and is at present used as a sanctuary for the preservation of birds and other animals.

A recent reference to the Marquis of Ripon's descent from Lady Jane Grey recalls the interesting fact that he is descended from a still more illustrious personage in English history—namely, Oliver Cromwell. His great-grandfather, the first Lord Grantham, married Frances Worsley, great-great-grandaughter of Cromwell through her mother, born Mary Frankland, and he is therefore himself eighth in lineal descent from the Protector. Cromwell's name is not one held in benediction by Lord Ripon's Irish co-religionists; but he has never been himself otherwise than proud of his masterful ancestor. He keeps, or kept, a small portrait of the Protector always on his writing table, and, moreover, he gave his only son and heir the name of Oliver.

Lord Lochee of Gowrie, better known perhaps as Mr. Edmund Robertson, is sixty-three. Three-and-twenty years ago the ex-Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty entered Parliament as the representative of Dundee, for which constituency he continued to be a member during the whole of his political activity in the Lower House. He had a very distinguished career at Oxford and later at the Bar. His great work on American Home Rule brought him name and fame, his knowledge of the United States being reckoned to be only second to that of Mr. Bryce, our representative at Washington. Mr. Robertson's choice of a title was a direct compliment to his former constituency. Lochee is a part of the Parliamentary borough of Dundee, and Gowrie in the sixteenth century gave an earldom to the Ruthven family.

A splendid record of fighting and of steady rise in the army, which he joined as a private twenty-two years ago, attaches to the name of Captain D. Mathers, who has been chosen adjutant and quartermamster of the Queen Victoria School at Dunblane. He was through the Chitral and Tirah campaigns, took part in the fighting in South Africa, and has served in as many as six West African campaigns. He was promoted to a commission in the Royal Sussex Regiment, and subsequently to a captaincy in the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers.

BRITISH OPINION

The Daily Mail says:—Enthusiastic supporters of the present Ministry have now to explain as best they can why it is that Chelmsford has given a Unionist and an opponent of the licensing bill a majority larger than in any previous election, with the single exception of that annus mirabilis 1900, when the nation was voting on the completion of the South African war. The Lords have stood between the people and what Mr. Birrell was pleased to describe as "their passionate desire," and the people of Chelmsford have tumbled over one another in demonstrating their satisfaction. The sooner Liberals recognise the awkward fact that the country will have none of the Licensing Bill the better it will be for them. Nor is this election any passing symptom. The special significance of Chelmsford is that it follows and completes an unparalleled series of Unionist victories throughout the country during the last six months.

Mid-Essex first, or all means, says the Daily Express, that once again the people and the Lords are agreed in hostility to ill-conceived fanatical legislation. But it means much more. Captain Pretyman was an excellent candidate, because he was an outspoken candidate. Tariff reform is the main plank of the Unionist programme and Captain Pretyman was insistent and tireless in his advocacy of tariff reform. "Workshops, not workhouses" was the new member's admirable paraphrase of the great policy which will bring back hope and prosperity to Great Britain. "Chelmsford stands for tariff reform." As a corollary, it stands for a strong navy and a united empire. The reformed tariff is the keynote of Imperial policy. It ensures a mighty empire, peopled by a happy prosperous people, and wherever it is preached fearlessly and in its entirety there it spells success. Great Britain, misled by a Chinese lie, lost its head in 1906. But it has repented in sackcloth and in ashes, and the whole country is eager to rid itself of the political opportunists who now misrule it. It is amusing to notice that Mr. Dence, who is obviously a bad loser, insulted the intelligence of the agricultural electors—after the poll—by suggesting that they did not understand that the ballot is secret. How essentially Radical.

A propos of the English Education Bill the lobby representative of the Standard says:—But small hope is now entertained by anybody of the education settlement going through. The Bill was looked upon tonight as practically dead, as it is perfectly clear that the Government do not intend to risk anything by attempting to force it through the House of Commons under protest. When hope of a genuine settlement is abandoned the Bill will be abandoned also. In a leader on the political situation the Standard refers to the prospects of the measure as follows:—Yesterday afternoon the second clause of Mr. Runciman's measure was carried through committee in the House of Commons. We confess that up to this stage both the Prime Minister and the Minister of Education had on the whole shown a genuine desire to fulfill their pledges to the Archbishop. It was not until the financial discussion came on that the bill was suddenly brought to the very verge of destruction. Nothing can be more misleading than to accuse Mr. Balfour and the Unionist party of desiring to wreck the measure. Mr. Austen Chamberlain and other members of the late Cabinet have been anxious to smooth its course, and we may be quite sure that if there is one public man who would have reason to rejoice over a settlement he is the one on whom after the next general election would otherwise devolve the duty of devising terms of a lasting peace. Of several vital questions in the Bill perhaps the most important was the financial assistance to be given by the treasury to contracted-out schools. On this point ministers would not, because they dare not, yield. From the correspondence published today between the Archbishop and Mr. Runciman it seems clear that the Church of England's minimum is far beyond the government's maximum. In that case, unless ministers at the last moment alter their minds, the Education Bill is as dead as the Licensing Bill. They would change their minds no doubt if they were not afraid.

The Daily Chronicle says: What we do not hesitate to say is that, if the Archbishop of Canterbury insists on the full terms of his present demands, or on anything like them, the hope of a settlement by consent is dead. The bill now before the House of Commons is "a balanced settlement." We had to insist on this aspect of it yesterday with regard to the proposals made by some of our Liberal and Noncomformist friends. We must insist upon it today in response to the Archbishop's scheme for upsetting the balance on the other side. Every difficulty it has been seen resolves itself in the last resort to a question of pounds shillings and pence. It is certainly so in the present case, though the matter, as we shall presently show, raises an issue greater than financial concern. There is a vital question of principle involved in this matter of finance. If the question of principle could be disposed of, the finance would no longer be serious. If, that is to say, a guarantee were to be given that the number of contracted-out schools would be comparatively few, the scale of the grant might be increased. But, in the absence of any such guarantee, the presumption is that the higher the scale the greater the number of the schools would be. The proposals of the government, according to the board of education's calculations, are in all conscience liberal enough already. The state will provide five-sixths of the upkeep, leaving only one-sixth to be borne by the denominations as the price of retaining private management and private patronage. Great will be the responsibility of the church if it declines to accept this way out of the deadlock.

The Morning Post says: The Archbishop's figures are not disputed. No one can say he has not labored for a settlement. No one who desires a settlement can fail to see that unless his criticisms are met a settlement is impossible. But the government has declined to be influenced by his reasonable demands. He who wills the means wills the end, and the government, and the government alone, is guilty of strangling educational peace in the hours of its birth. Our first thought is "What a blow to educational progress." Our second, "How unnecessary the blow is." English education has been retarded for the last six years by a sordid quarrel. The physical needs of children, secondary education, technical education, university education, cannot receive attention because men's minds—or perhaps we should say members' minds—are full of the fear that Jane and Tommy may fall into the hideous heresies which apparently every denomination ascribes to every other. Hereafter the voices raised in favor of peace will be few, and they will with difficulty find a hearing. Nevertheless the leaders of the church who earned unpopularity by laboring for a settlement did right.

The Bishop of Manchester, on behalf of the joint committee of the Diocesan Church Schools' Association and of the Church Educational Society, has issued an open letter to the bishops of the Church of England on the Educational Bill. Dr. Knox points out that the system of contracting-out would work comparatively smoothly for small associations of Roman Catholics and Jews, but for the Church of England it would work most unfavorably, and her members would have no confidence that, when the next assault was delivered by the Nonformists, the bishops might not be advised to surrender in the interests of peace. It was not too much to say that it would require great courage on the part of the managers to continue any of the church schools, and that after approaching the provisions for contracting out with every desire to make use of them, the joint committee could not but conclude that they did not fall within the concessions demanded by the Archbishop and his friends as a necessary condition of settlement. Regarding the right of entry, Dr. Knox argues that it would prove to be neither real nor effective in practice.

What is wanted is some plan (says the "Daily Chronicle") for preventing the House of Lords sitting as a Tory caucus either in Lansdowne House or at Westminster to destroy Liberal Bills. What is offered us in the report is a scheme for leaving the root of the matter untouched but altering the dressing. Many of the suggestions are in themselves interesting, and some are excellent. But the adoption of them all would make no difference. The House of Lords would remain out of touch with change of political opinion in the country. The exercise of its standing veto in the interests of the Tory party would go on as before. Liberal Bills would still be killed and the process would not be rendered less objectionable by reducing the number and altering the mode of summons of the executioners.

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Means Domestic Peace for Spain

That the end of Carlism is in sight has already been published in cable despatches from Europe, and has been confirmed by private letters from the most authoritative quarters. What this means to Spain no foreigners save those who have devoted time and attention to the study of the Iberian Peninsula during the last hundred years can realize. Carlism's influence on the country has been of the most blighting character. It has been responsible for a number of sanguinary civil wars, one of which, at any rate, brought about foreign intervention. For long it proved an almost insuperable obstacle to the industrial and commercial development of the nation, thus marring progress and prosperity. It has constituted a source of uncertainty and insecurity to the government, which has naturally tended to impair confidence therein, both at home and abroad, especially in regard to the money markets of Europe, and it has furnished a rallying point for every species of discontent and hostility to those in authority, a camp in which all foes of the dynasty and of the Government were certain of finding welcome and encouragement. If the end of Carlism appears in sight, it is because negotiations, fostered by Pius X. and his Spanish Secretary of State, Merry del Val, have been in progress for some time past between Don Jaime, the only son of Don Carlos, and the Spanish Government, tending toward a reconciliation by the terms of which Don Jaime would be permitted to take up his residence in Spain, with all the honors, prerogatives, and emoluments of an Infant, at the same time receiving the rank of Captain General in the Spanish army—advantages which cannot but appear of a very tempting character to a prince in straitened circumstances, and who finds himself, as an exile and as a pretender, barred from foreign courts and cold-shouldered by the reigning houses of Europe from motives of regard for the King and the

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Silk Handkerchiefs 50c
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Boston Garters, pair 25c

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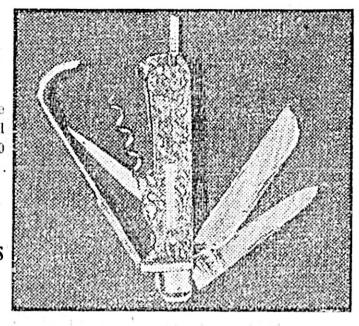

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NEWS OF THE CITY

Board Offices Closed

During the Christmas holidays this week and next the school board offices will be closed.

Broke All Records

The Christmas parcel post mail received by the last English mails was the largest received in this city, there being over three hundred parcels more than any previous mail.

Christ Church Communion

The communion service will be celebrated in Christ Church Cathedral upon Christmas day at the following hours: At 7 a.m., at 8 a.m. and at the conclusion of the 11 o'clock service.

Communion at St. Saviour's

The communion service will be celebrated in St Saviour's church at 8 a.m. and at the 11 o'clock service; while evensong will take place at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon. The church will be handsomely decorated.

Christmas Entertainment.

The annual Christmas entertainment of the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church will be held this evening, when tea will be served at 6.30, after which a programme will be rendered by the pupils, and the entertainment closed by prizes given from Noah's Ark, a new feature for the first time introduced from the Sunday schools of New York.

High School Examinations.

The papers written by students trying the entrance examination into the High School are now being corrected. The examiners, who started work yesterday, consist of Messrs Willis, Andrews, Russell, and Dunnell of Victoria; Little, Brough and Saunders of Vancouver; Buchanan and Blair from the Normal School, and school inspectors Stewart, Deane and Gordon. Two hundred and seventy pupils wrote for the examination.

New Alarm Boxes Installed

Passers-by on Cormorant street yesterday afternoon waited patiently for the appearance of the fire brigade in response to the alarm which was rung from box 67. No apparatus, however, left the hall. The alarm was merely sent in as a test of the new box which has been installed at the Lemon-Gonnason mill. An alarm box will also be installed at Leigh's mill, Pleasant street, the number being 57.

More Permits Issued

Building permits have been issued to W. H. Berridge for a dwelling to be erected on Vancouver street to cost $3,500; to S. E. Matthews for a dwelling on Chambers street to cost $1,800; to the B. C. Land and Investment company for a small brick addition to the rear of the King Edward hotel, to cost $300, and to E. Ramlings for a workshop on Richmond road to cost $200.

Y.M.C.A. Christmas Dinner

Some fifty young men, who are absent from their homes, are expected to accept the hospitality of the Y.M.C.A. upon Christmas day. This is the first Christmas dinner to be given in the auditorium in these circumstances, and it is hoped by its promoters that it will be continued regularly in the future, with a slight possibility that in 1909 it will be observed amid pleasanter surroundings in the proposed new building.

Horsfall Is Remanded.

Fred P. Horsfall charged with obtaining $42.50 by false pretences from Stewart Williams & Co., came up in the police court yesterday and was remanded, as a material witness for the prosecution was not present. It is claimed that he sold certain furniture to the auctioneers and that it afterwards turned out to belong to his wife. It is asserted that he made false representations in regard to the ownership of the stuff. Horsfall insists that he had done nothing wrong. The provincial police have charge of the prosecution.

Bandits Rob Post Office

On Saturday at midnight three armed and masked bandits held up the postmaster at Bridesville, a small village just on the International boundary line. Superintendent Hussey, of the provincial police yesterday received a wire from Chief Provincial Constable W. J. Devitt, at Nelson, telling of the affair. Constable Aston, of Bridesville, reported to Devitt. No particulars of the crime have been received here but instructions have been issued that every effort be used to capture the robbers, who are believed to have crossed the boundary from the American side. It is doubtful if the robbers secured much booty in their raid.

Gets a Month

William Lynch was sentenced to a month for vagarncy at the police court yesterday. He claims that he was waiting to get a ship, and that a couple of sailor friends were helping him in the meantime. Constable Walker said that many complaints had been made about his begging. He denied having been in jail, but a few days ago he was over the Bay trying to see first the Premier, and then the Provincial secretary. He wanted a certificate that he might stay in town. He said that he had just finished a jail sentence in New Westminster and that the chief of police would not leave him alone. He was drunk at the time, and did not get further than the ante rooms.

Do You Know

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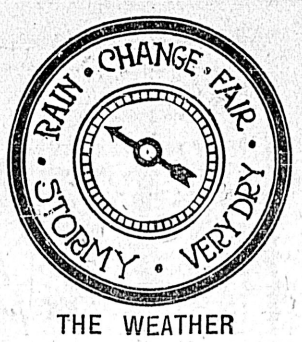

THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., December 21, 1908:

SYNOPSIS.

The high area over the Pacific states is now central in Utah and is giving way slowly in advance of a storm area which is developing on the Washington coast and is causing a fresh easterly gale on the outside waters and unsettled weather on the straits. Snow is falling at Dawson and Barkerville and light rainfall has occurred on the lower Mainland and western Washington; east of the Rockies it has become warmer in Alberta but continues cold in Manitoba.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	37	43
Vancouver	33	42
New Westminster	32	40
Kamloops	18	32
Barkerville	12	30
Fort Simpson	30	..
Atlin	12	18
Dawson, Y. T.	12 below	6
Calgary, Alta.	16	30
Winnipeg, Man.	zero	16
Portland, Ore.	30	32
San Francisco, Cal.	36	42

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Tuesday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Moderate or fresh easterly winds, chiefly cloudy and milder with rain.

Lower Mainland: Unsettled and milder, with rain.

SUNDAY.

Highest	40
Lowest	31
Mean	39

MONDAY.

Highest	43
Lowest	37
Mean	40

TIDE TABLE

Victoria, B.C., December, 1908.

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The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish High Water from Low Water.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot, above the average level of the lowest Low Water in each month of the year. This level is half a foot lower than the datum to which the soundings on the admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are reduced.

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Closes—Daily at 11.30 p.m. and 1.30 p.m., except Sunday.
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Close—11.30 p.m. except Sunday and 1.30 p.m.
Due—7 p.m. daily.

United States via Seattle

Close—Daily at 11 p. m.
Due—Daily at 2 p. m.

United States via Vancouver

Close—Daily, except Sunday, at 11.30 p.m.
Due—6 p. m. daily.

China and Japan

Close—Dec. 9, 15, 20, 30.
Due—Dec. 3, 10, 14, 19, 23, 28.

Australia and New Zealand

Close—Dec. 4, 13.
Due—Dec. 16.

Dawson, Atlin, White Horse, etc.

Close—Dec. 1, 9, 15, 18, 25, 29, 30.
Due—Uncertain.

Port Simpson, Prince Rupert, etc.

Close—1, 8, 14, 15, 22, 28.
Due—Dec. 1, 8, 10, 12, 18, 25, 28, 31.

West Coast Ports

Due—Dec. 1, 10, 20.
Due—Dec. 5, 18, 27.

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Close—Via Nanaimo, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. By steamer, 1, 10, 20.

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St. Andrew's Catholic Services

Services will be held in St. Andrew's Cathedral, Roman Catholic at 6 a.m., at 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m. on Christmas day.

A Christmas Communion

The communion service will be celebrated in St. Barnabas church shortly after midnight on Christmas eve, and in the very first hour of Christmas morning, commemorating, in some measure, the announcement of the Saviour's birth in the manger at Bethlehem to the Jewish shepherds, who were watching their flocks by night. The service will begin at 11.30 o'clock on Christmas eve, and will be illustrated and beautified by the singing of old English carols, which will be repeated during the communion office. The other celebrations will take place in this church at 8 a.m., at 9 a.m. and at the 11 o'clock service. A rather brief evening service will, moreover, be held at 7.30 p.m.

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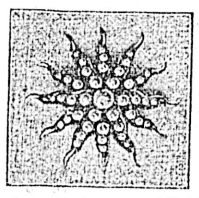

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Solid Gold Brooches, $20.00 to $1.25
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OBITUARY NOTICES

Lucas.

The funeral of the late Mary Jane Lucas took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, Tolmie avenue, at 2 o'clock. There was a large gathering of friends and many beautiful floral offerings were presented. The services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Grundy. The cortege proceeded to Cedar Hill church, where interment took place. The pallbearers were: N. J. Campbell, V. Dempsey, Alex. Duncan, James Elsworth, Chas. Chisslett, P. S. McDonald.

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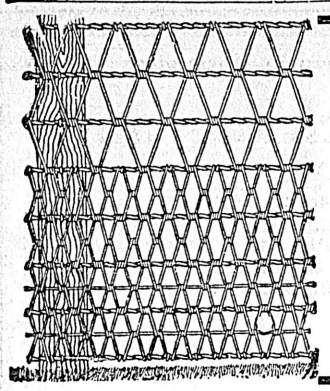

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At the municipal court of revision held at the city hall yesterday morning with Mayor Hall presiding and Alderman Cameron and Pauline sitting with him the question of the eligibility of men exempted by old age from payment of taxes, civil servants and women to be placed on the voters list was brought up and it was decided that none were entitled to votes. The question was brought up by Joseph Peirson, J.P., who appeared on behalf of himself and others who had passed the 50th year and who were exempted from the civic taxes on that ground. He asked that his name and the others who are over 50 years of age be placed on the list There are about 100.

Ald. Cameron explained that as a believer in universal suffrage he had when a member of the provincial legislation secured the passage of an amendment whereby all adult persons who were British subjects and qualified as householders were entitled to vote, but later, when he was no longer a member of the legislature, an amendment had been passed, presumably aimed to exclude women voters from the list, which excluded all who had not paid the civic taxes other than water and dog taxes. Ald. Pauline said it was evidently not the intention of the legislature to exclude anyone who is exempted from the payment of the taxes. Ald. Cameron said the intention was to exclude women from voting, but the language was such that all who did not pay the tax of $2 or over, other than militiamen, who were specially provided for, were debarred from voting. It was held by the court that they had no authority to put the names of the men for whom Mr. Peirson appeared on the list and they will have to take their cases before the magistrate to get a ruling as to whether they are entitled to the franchise.

Civil Servants

The question of the claims of Dominion civil servants to immunity from taxes was next considered as a result of the application of eight postal employees of the Dominion post office, who had claimed exemption from the tax as civil servants. It was held that they also could not be placed on the voters list. Mr. Mann, city solicitor, explained that when the original exemption was made of civil servants it was in the days when statute labor was in force and the statute was made to exempt civil servants from working on the roads. The legislature, however, has not made its act broad enough to cover the cases of the applicants. The act says anyone who has not paid the city tax of two dollars is not entitled to vote.

Several ladies who had filed statutory declarations were similarly dealt with. They were not placed on the list.

The city collector then submitted a list of 109 men who had not paid the road tax, and it was decided that these should be notified to show cause why their names should not be stricken off in consequence. The court then adjourned until this morning.

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THOMAS TAYLOR M.P.P. A CABINET MINISTER

Appointment Announced After Yesterday's Meeting of the Executive

Thomas Taylor, M. P. P. for Revelstoke has been chosen to fill the much discussed vacancy in the cabinet created by the provision of an additional portfolio at the last session of the legislature. There has been a general belief for some time in quarters which are usually well informed that Mr. Taylor was the man who would be selected by Mr. McBride as his most recent colleague, but the matter was not officially settled until the executive meeting held yesterday, after which it was given out that Mr. Taylor would be the new minister of Works, and that he would take the oath of office today.

Mr. Taylor was born in London, Ont., in 1865 and there received his education. In 1897 he married Miss Georgie Larson, and at one time held the position of mining recorder. He has been a member of the legislature since 1900. He was elected as a member for Revelstoke at the general elections of that year, and again at the general elections of 1903 and 1907.

At the last session of the legislature, acts were passed separating the portfolio of lands and works. The development of the province had so increased the business of the department that the change was necesary. Hon. F. J. Fulton will be Chief Commissioner of Lands.

Mr. Gardiner of the Union Iron works the expert sent to examine the steamer Glenfarg at Esquimalt on behalf of the London Salvage association arrived by the steamer Whatcom yesterday and started an examination of the steamer yesterday. He will continue the survey today.

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EMINENT ENGINEER SUPERVISES BIG WORK

B. C. Electric Company's Great Scheme Planned By Jas. D. Schuyler

One of the veteran civil engineers on the coast and one of the best known of his profession has been in the province recently in the person of James D. Schuyler, of Los Angeles, who in his capacity of consulting hydraulic engineer, recently spent some time in Vancouver advising the British Columbia Electric Railway company in connection with the improvements which that company is making to its water power at Lakes Coquitlam and Buntzen. Mr. Schuyler has also supervision of the reclamation scheme in the Sumas district, the latter being undertaken in connection with the extension of the electric railway to Chilliwack.

Mr. Schuyler is well known to members of the profession in this province, being a member of the British Institution of Civic Engineers, and also of the American Society of Civil Engineers, as well as of other engineering organizations.

The work which the British Columbia Electric company, on the advice of Mr. Schuyler, will undertake at the mouth of Lake Coquitlam involves the construction of a dam seventy-five feet in height, by which a great storage reservoir will be created furnishing a greatly increased supply of water, which will flow through the hydraulic tunnel to Lake Buntzen, there being delivered to the monster pipes which carry it to the generating station on the North Arm of Burrard Inlet. This scheme is now being laid before the provincial government, from which it is necessary to secure permission before the scheme can be undertaken.

Provincial engineers will remember Mr. Schuyler, who was engaged by the C. P. R. as an expert witness in the case arising from the landslide on the Thompson river at Black Canyon, near Ashcroft, in connection with which his opinion was eccepted by the judge and jury as the correct one.

Mr. Schuyler is one of the veteran civil engineers of the coast, having been engaged in the practice of his profession since 1869. In 1879 he took up the special work of hydraulic engineering and has since given his entire attention to this field of work. So successful has he been that he has already attained a fame which has gone beyond this continent and won for him golden opinions from the foremost experts of the world. The results of his practical work in the line of dam construction were formulated by him in 1901 when he issued a volume of 600 pages on his specialty, the publication now being an accepted text-book all over the world.

An evidence of the standing of Mr. Schuyler is gained, when it is noted that he recently received the Rowland prize from the American Society of Civil Engineers for furnishing the best paper of the year, his subject being "Recent practice in hydraulic fill dam construction." The paper fully covered the latest methods of dam construction treating especially of the methods in the line which the knowledge and experience of the author has materially advanced in recent years.

One of the most extensive works undertaken under Mr. Schuyler's direction comprised the erection of three dams on the Snake river, Idaho, involving the diversion of that stream to the Twin Falls territory. A tract of 240,000 acres was successfully reclaimed from the desert by this scheme, the cost of which was $2,500,000. These dams, which are really one large structure, are among the most notable works of the kind in the west and were constructed under peculiar difficulties, as they were built in a stream carrying 5,000 cubic feet per second at low water periods and having a maximum height of 85 feet.

Among other works which this eminent engineer has undertaken are the Sweetwater dam near San Diego, one of the most notable masonry dams on the coast, 100 feet high and costing $300,000; the Hemet dam near Riverside, Cal., 132 feet high; three large concrete dams for the city of Portland at a cost of $500,000; Lake Frances dam in Yuba county, Cal., 75 feet high and 1300 feet long, built entirely with the aid of water pumped by electric power; the Waialua dam near Honolulu, 100 feet high and costing $300,000; the Nuanu dam, also near Honolulu, 75 feet high, 1700 feet long and forming part of the Honolulu water works system; the Zuni dam in New Mexico, 70 feet high, 600 feet long and costing $150,000; the Torrance dam in Colorado which will be 325 feet high when completed, being the largest hydraulic filled structure now being undertaken; the Nexaca dam near Mexico city, which will be 190 feet high when completed, composed of 2,000,000 cubic yards of material and costing $1,000,000; the Acatlan, Los Reyes and Laguna dams, all located in Mexico and the Santo Amaro dam in Brazil, a structure one mile in length and 65 feet high at its deepest point.

Mr. Schuyler has also been called in a consulting capacity to Japan, where he reported on the construction of a dam 325 feet in height. These plans were subsequently reviewed by two of the most eminent engineers in England, Sir A. B. Binnie and George F. Deacon, LL. D., who pronounced the scheme feasible and the plans correct.

As consulting engineer of the Denver Reservoir & Irrigation company Mr. Schuyler is now directing operations on a dam near Colorado city which will be 700 feet long and 140 feet high, all the work being done by hydraulic sluicing.

BONDS CLAIM TO SEATTLE SYNDICATE

Captain Locke and J. H. Gordon Obtain Good Sum For Proposition

The Black Prince mining claim on Bear Creek, Collinson bay, Queen Charlotte islands, was bonded yesterday by Capt. L. E. Locke, master of the C.P.R. steamer Amur, and J. H. Gordon, of Vancouver, to a Seattle syndicate, for $50,000. The deal was put through by Morris Davis, who is at the King Edward hotel, representing the syndicate. The Black Prince claim was located about fourteen months ago and became the property of Capt. Locke, He sold a half interest in it to J. H. Gordon for less than a thousand dollars. Gordon ran a tunnel into the claim and struck some good ore. It was the examination of this ore by an expert sent to the claim by the syndicate that induced the Seattle men to purchase the property for the price named, and Gordon is $24,000 richer as a result of his purchase.

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There is, in England, a movement on foot to provide suitable homes for the working people who now live in the crowded quarters of the great cities. It is called the Garden City movement and its promoters propose to make it possible for every workman to add to his income by the cultivation of a plot of land. The Garden City Association considers that there should not be more than ten workmen's dwellings to the acre. The experiment has been already begun at Letchworth and an exhibit from this colony at the Franco-British exhibition in London attracted a great deal of attention. At Rosyth, on the Firth of Forth, where the government is about to establish a naval base, it is proposed to divide the land so that the workmen shall have comfortable cottages and gardens along the beautiful coast of Fife. On the historic ground of Bannockburn, model cottages are to be erected, and Sir Christopher Furness has acquired a large estate at Ormesby on which it is proposed to expend $2,000,000. The beautiful suburb of London, known as Hampstead, is being laid out in this way and the undertaking is being promoted by Sir Robert Hunter. In the great seaport of Hull in Yorkshire, Sir James Reckitt is working towards forming settlements that will give his neighbors the benefits of fresh air and better surroundings. He himself holds two-thirds of the $1,000,000 worth of capital invested there. The Countess of Warwick, writing on the subject of garden cities, says: "I, therefore, believe that there is a great future before the Garden City. It is too early to look forward to the time when the sweltering masses of our over-crowded cities will be scattered in industrial communities on the land, which is now so rapidly going out of cultivation. But I am convinced that the Garden City is the first step forward to this great ideal; that it will be found to be the solvent for the great and increasing misery of the overcrowded cities. Everyone who has the good of this country at heart, and who feels that the future of our Empire depends on providing conditions of employment for our people in which the mens sana in corpore sono may be preserved, in which healthy children may be brought up instead of stunted weaklings of the slums, then every one, I say, ought to do what he can to advance the work of the project." It will be long before such associations can have any great effect on conditions in the old land, although the fact that leaders of the industrial and the business world are engaged in this work, is a hopeful sign. But in our new country the lesson should not be lost upon us that families need for their healthy development homes in which fresh air and light have access, and that a garden not only adds to the comfort of the home, but furnishes a source of innocent recreation. Why, then, should we in this great new country of ours be repeating the mistakes which in old lands men are trying to undo? Is it unavoidable that we shall crowd our homes together so that our children will have no room either to breathe or to play? In the business of our cities economy may require that as little space as possible should be occupied, but healthy home life needs room.

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The latest advocate of prison reform is Professor C. R. Henderson. This gentleman does not agree with the writer who says:

"Stone walls do not a prison make
Or iron bars a cage."

He thinks that the environment of prisoners, even in our own day, is not calculated to improve them in any way. The man who is forced to work at monotonous labor in a prison yard all day and who spends his nights in a cell is not, Professor Henderson thinks, likely to leave its gates a better member of society than when he entered it. His remedy for what he looks upon as a very bad system is to place the prisoners on a farm and to pay them for their labor. The work in the open air and the sunshine would, he thinks, be good for the men physically and mentally, as well as morally. They would have something else to think of than their own wickedness and the sense of shame and degradation would not be ever present. Such experiments have been tried in Switzerland and in Holland with good results, and it is hard to see why certain classes of convicts could not be employed as usefully upon farms as are the inmates of insane asylums. At the same time it must not be forgotten that some of our worst criminals are to be found among agricultural laborers. An open air life is not a panacea for all moral ills. Since the days of Cain there have been among the tillers of the ground men who have allowed themselves to become the victims of evil passions. On the other hand, there have been great and good men and women who have preserved their innocency and integrity through long years of confinement in prisons, where conditions were far worse than those in any modern goal or penitentiary. A prison could not injure the character of John Benjamin or Sir Walter Raleigh. While it must be admitted that there is a wide field for the philanthropist in the work of prison reform it would be foolish to expect too much of the best of systems. Far more depends on the men who have charge of the criminals than upon any system, however excellent. If, in time to come, the very best men in the country are made wardens of the penitentiaries and keepers of the gaols and if they have under them a staff, wise and good men and women, the discipline of our prisons will help more than it does now to reform those who are capable of reformation. It is quite conceivable that to effect this greater severity in some cases would be as necessary as greater leniency in others.

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At the annual meeting of the National Council of the Women of Canada last month an address was given by Miss Yates on agriculture for women. This lady is an English woman who is at present taking a course of lectures at Guelph Agricultural college. While Miss Yates does not believe that many women have the business capacity and executive ability necessary to manage a large farm, she thinks that in the cultivation of small plots of ground they should excel. The work best adapted to women is the cultivation of flowers and small fruits, bee-keeping and poultry raising. That women have the physical strength necessary for such work has already been proved in England. The Royal Horticultural society's gold medal has for several years been won by educated women. The examination by which the medal is won is taken by a thousand candidates and is open to professional gardeners. Two of the successful candidates have established themselves as market gardeners near London and have excellent prospects of success. Miss Yates believes that in Ontario there is a good field for women in the work of cultivating the land. She concludes her address with the following paragraph:

"In this vast country, the acquisition of territory has seemed of paramount importance, but it should be remembered that the few acres well cultivated have their undoubted possibilities financially. The capture of the high class market in England by Denmark has been accomplished by the small producers whose system might be gloriously emulated by the women of Canada. How about women's markets in our cities and towns—where the produce should be what it pretends to be, and grade A is indeed grade A, where petty trickery is unpractised and payment according to quality is the rule."

No part of Canada is more adapted for such work as that which Miss Yates describes than Vancouver Island. The mild climate renders it possible to engage in out-of-door work at almost any season of the year and the demand for all that the small holdings produce is good. While most of us think that some of the work on the land is too heavy for women there is no doubt that there is much of it that is both light and pleasant.

The Care of Clothes.

A recent bride had a very beautiful trousseau, and yet whenever she put a fresh dress on, it look half worn out and spoilt. Before her marriage she had been accustomed to the devoted ministrations of a maid, but this she had now foregone, and having very little experience, had no idea how to take care of her dresses and show them off to the best advantage. She soon fully realized the fact of the harm that had been done and followed this advice. She set aside a long wardrobe for the skirts, and purchased a range of coat-hangers; the skirts all being supplied with loops at the waist the hangers were easily set inside them. By the purchase of many yards of calico of a light make she was able to have a series of bags or drawstrings long enough to cover the dresses, the hook of the hanger piercing through the top. Thus the gowns fell in easy folds, and were protected from dust. The bodices were stowed away in large drawers in place of the warbrode, each sleeve filled with tissue paper, with a good deal of paper in the middle which kept the bodice in shape. One drawer was devoted to evening and one to morning dresses, and where the bodices were stuffed out with paper in the same way, and placed in the covering bag. A very few cents will buy plenty of silver paper, and it is not too much to say that its liberal use conduces to a lengthened life of gowns, not easily calculated. Nothing is so dowdy as dresses which show they have not been properly taken care of.

Origin of Fashions.

While doubtless that first modification of the merely useful garb which we call fashion was induced by the instinctive feminine desire to please the male eye, rivalry with her own sex has subordinated this aim. A severely plain head covering is useful; when the fair wearer put a feather in her hat she surely won masculine approval—for there was the decorative touch. But when other women, dominated by an ambition to excel used the whole bird and several strange feathers beside, the original aim of pleasing the masculine eye was lost in a bitter strife to go a gorgeous sister "one better." Then the contest was on—a contest that has brought to an astonished and not utterly inartistic world such exhibits as the hoop-skirts, the puffed sleeves, the Merry Widow hat and the much-constricted corset. Indeed, in the making of women's fashions enters every motive that has ever impelled femininity—and the greatest of these is rivalry. This is merely one writer's opinion, but it has the philosophy of human nature to strengthen the theory.

In these latter days of combinations and industrial aggregations it is interesting to note that fashion has followed the current of the times. For were one fashion to run through two seasons, what would the makers of feminine apparel profit? Two-thirds of the sex would surely wear the same garb till it was "called in"—for be it said, the "better half" of the world does not spend good money without pronounced ocular results.

So we have the yearly or semi-yearly change of fashion. From some strange quarter of Paris or Vienna or London comes annually, the news of the "proper thing." The Queen of England, perhaps, has designedly or unwittingly put a plum-colored belt on with a dark-blue riding habit, and, presto! the wires carry the news to the world's fashion centres, the facile fashion artists devise a costly combination of this, "the latest," the fashion magazines bear the tidings to the waiting feminine world. A new fashion has sprung into existence, the fashion dictators reap a financial reward, the dressmakers add to their bank account, the world of women wearing plum-colored belts and blue riding habits add to their spiritual contentment—and maybe the surprised Queen of England, who has changed her belt, looks on in amused wonder.—From "Do Women Dress to Please the Men." by Louise Cass Evans.

Capital punishment has been revived in Denmark.

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Thoroughness.

A Nova Scotia teacher writes the following excellent letter to the Farmer's Advocate:

A mistake which I thing we teachers sometimes make is that of hurrying pupils over work, starting them in a new subject before they fully understand the old. "There is so much to teach, and the time is so short," is our excuse. It is a true statement, but I do not think it justifies us at all. There is much to teach, but merely covering the ground is not teaching. I think it would be better to teach less, if need be, and teach it well.

I think we should do all in our power to install into the minds of our pupils that "what is worth doing at all is worth doing well." Not only so, but unless it is done well it will be a source of shame and annoyance to us all our lives.

It is hard to realize this in our school-days. We think that if we get through with our day's work we are through with it forever, and if our task is a difficult one, if we manage to escape having to do it, or do it barely "well enough" to get it off our hands, we feel relieved and worry no more about it.

But could we see into the future, and know that upon the faithful doing of these daily tasks depend all our future success, how patiently we would persevere in the toil, which at present seems to us so irksome.

I do not say that we may not make a fair showing or win a tolerable degree of success without thoroughness, but I say that we can never be anything but inferiors in whatever walk of life we pursue, if we do not fit ourselves for it by thoroughness in every detail.

We may, as I have said, be fairly successful. We may even by tact and effort combined gain a reputation for being quite proficent. This might, perhaps, satisfy some, but I think most of us would derive small satisfaction from a reputation which is only a reputation, and which, in our hearts, we know is undeserved.

If our work will not bear looking into; if we must toil and strive to keep up appearances, spend time and tears in trying to make up for what we neglected once, we must often grow heart-sick and weary, and it is small wonder if we become discouraged, for, toil as we may, we can never gain what we have lost. We must now stand ever with the seconds. The door to first rank we closed with our own hands when we neglected to be thorough in the little trivial things of long ago.

Pigeons to Work Automatic Kodaks.

With photographs from airships people here have been familiar for some time, but snapshots taken by an automatic micropparatus attached to carrier pigeons are new on this side. It is a German, Dr. Neubronner, who has just obtained a patent on an invention which at first was treated with scant respect by the German patent office. But on proofs being submitted of its workability its stratgetic value was immediately recognized by the German war office, where it is believed that especially by a besieging army photographing pigeons could be used with much advantage.

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The military pigeon service is a highly organized branch of the intelligence department of the German army. In addition to the various government lofts in the fortresses and at important strategic points, most of the homing clubs place their birds in case of need at the disposition of the state, and in return for this the same protection is afforded to their pigeons as to those which are the property of the government.

There are, the Umchau learns, already in existence several military vans equipped with pigeon lofts and dark rooms.

Fans.

Pretty color schemes are shown in the new fans, which have again assumed a place of importance among dress accessories. It is the fad just at present to have the coloring, and, as far as practicable, the decoration of the gown carried out in the fan. Frames of ivory, carved bone, pearl, ebony, and sandal wood may be procured and the converings of ones's own material fitted to them. The Watteau gives suggestion for the majority of the best specimens, although the design is not rigidly followed. This revival of the pretty, if not really necessary, calls up ancient history.

No one knows how long fans have been in use, but some one interested in the subject has found that there is a basrelief in the British Museum, of Sennacherib, upon which there are figures of women attendants wielding fans. According to that, the fan is at least twenty-seven hundred years old. The fine ladies of ancient Rome considered the fan, as the modern Japanese consider it, a necessary part of the costume. The first European women to use fans were the Portuguese, some time prior to the fourteenth century. At the time of the revocation of the Edict of Nantes fan-makers were driven out of France to England and Holland, both of which countries welcomed them, the fan trade soon becoming well established.

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Defeat Urges Victoria Rugby Team to Greater Endeavor

PLAY NANAIMO THIS WEEK

Number Changes in Personnel Fifteen Mooted—Team's Weakness

It is questionable whether the statement would be credited were it said that Victoria wasn't disappointed over the outcome of last Saturday's McKechnie cup rugby match with Vancouver on the Brockton Point grounds. Yet neither the players, nor those who watched and cheered for the Capitals, were cast down when they assembled afterwards to discuss the match, its features and the lessons to be derived from it. The outcome was accepted in a proper spirit, it being acknowledged that, on the play, Vancouver were the winners, although there seeemd to be an inclination on the part of some to question the bona fides of one or two of the tries, notably, the first one secured by the mainlanders. Still these were points open to argument, and the talk did not so much deal with them as with what should be done to so strengthen Victoria's representative fifteen, and to so augment the effectiveness of their style that they might meet and defeat, either here or in Vancouver, the present holders of the championship.

Day for Forwards.

When the boys reached Brockton Point grounds on Saturday the first thing noticed was that the turf was hard and slippery. It was a day for forwards as the quarters would have little opportunity of getting away on such a surface. The surmise was correct. On the pack the bulk of the work fell. Victoria's vanguard, at first, was equal to the task and more than held their own. At this stage they scored, drawing first blood and the spirits of the few Islanders in attendance rose to a high pitch. Towards the conclusion of the half the tide changed. The scrimmages began to favor Vancouver. Gradually the Mainlanders were tiring and overpowering the visitors, and inch by inch the ball was forced towards their goal. Though the resistance was stubborn and the persistent attack often varied by brilliant breaking, in which the quarters, particularly Gillespie, made use of their ability in punting to good effect, the bustle, dash and go which the Vancouver forwards put into their work could not help telling. The opening came just before the whistle sounded Gibson, after a fine dash, scoring at the extreme left of the line.

The Weak Point.

Victoria was outclassed in the second half beyond a question. And it was not hard to single out the weak point, the cog in the wheel which was interfering with the smooth operation of the aggregation in both attack and defence. It was the five-eighths and the halfbacks. They were dead as far as assisting their fellow players was concerned. Newcombe, for some reason, failed to do as well on Saturday as is always expected from him, and the others with him were decidedly wooden. This pivotal division being inefficient had a double influence. In the first place it unbalanced the forwards. The advantage to them if they did get the ball from the scrimmage was little as it always went to Vancouver later. As it was one or two of the pack, Thompson especially, remained on the outside of the scrum, a figurehead as far as pressure is concerned and really attempting the self-imposed task of helping out the halfbacks. The second result was that the quarters never got a direct free pass from the scrimmage. Therefore that one deplorable weakness disorganized everything, playing havoc with the spirit of the forwards and making the quarters useless for anything but defence. As it was it might almost be said that it would have been as well had the fifteen met at Brockton Point as strangers with no knowledge whatever of each other's play. It might have been better.

Some Praise.

Many players are entitled to the highest praise. Sweeney was one of the pillars of strength in the scrum and Benson gave him good assistance. Graham did not put the usual dash into his play and it was evident that his strength and weight were not counting as much as might be expected. On the quarter line Vincent did as much as he got an opportunity to do. The same might be said of Meredith and of Lowry. The latter's tackling was particularly fine and in the single instance that he obtained a chance opening the narrowness of Vancouver's escape made the team's supporters shiver. Gillespie's defence and his punting were features. Johnson, at fullback, displayed his usual good judgment and his plucky stopping of one or two dangerous dashes provoked general admiration. But that he is lacking in the weight essential to one occupying that post was apparent.

Turned the Tables.

There was as much difference between the style of play adopted by Vancouver on Saturday and that of three weeks ago as day differs from night. When Victoria defeated them they did so by the bustling work of their forwards. Vancouver's win is largely due to the vim of their pack. In other words the tables were turned and the islanders beaten at what was deemed to be their own peculiar style, which was aptly termed by a mainland expert as "antiquated." In justice to the Mainlanders it must be said that their three-quarters several times showed up prominently and their combination was infinitely superior to that of the visitors. In short they won on their merits and it only remains for Victoria to prepare to finish the season as they began it.

Changes Mooted.

Thought beaten the Victoria officials still are determined to capture that McKechnie cup. Several changes in the line-up of the representative team are mooted. It is said that Commander Bromley will be invited to take a place among the quarters, that Graham-Graham's stalwart figure will be seen among the forwards, and that Lowry will be advanced to halfback. However this is all in the air. The matter will come before the selection committee in a few days and a picked fifteen will have a try out against Nanaimo on local grounds next Saturday. The third match with Vancouver for the British Columbia championship will take place next month at Oak Bay.

Baseball Reserve Rule

The question of the legality of the baseball reserve rule has been thrown into the courts. Through a test case, backed by the New England Baseball league, the whole question has been opened up for the definite decision of what has long been a vexing question.

The action is brought by Michael O'Brien, a Harvard student, who in 1907 was hired by the Lowell club for $175 a month. In September he was asked to sign at $100 a month. He refused, but was held and prevented from joining any other club. He took the matter up with the league officials, but it dragged through last season.

Finally they agreed to put the matter up to the state courts, and O'Brien asked for an injunction restraining the Lowell club from preventing his joining another club. The case goes to the court on an agreed statement of facts and no evidence will be introduced.

That was a sportsmanlike action on the part of the Victoria Hockey club to give up their title to the Oak Bay grounds on Saturday in favor of the soccer people when the latter were disconsolately hunting for somewhere to play. It should be put down to their credit.

EXCITEMENT AMONG VICTORIA BOWLERS

Iroquois and Chippewa Teams Lead in Douglas Street Alley League

The House league series which is being conducted in connection with the Douglas Street bowling alleys is rousing marked interest as it progresses. At present the Iroquois and Chippewa teams lead in the first round, but it is thought that they will have to hurry to hold their places in the second and final series of the competition. Last week's matches were exceedingly close and attracted a crowd of devotees. The Chippewas beat the Tecumsehs on Tuesday. On Wednesday the Iroquois defeated the Mohawks and on Thursday the Tecumsehs won from the Chilcotins. The detailed scores follows:

Chippewas vs. Tecumsehs.

Chippewas.			
Williams	187	176	223
Pirie	154	158	189
Nason	173	115	148
Pike	165	129	153
Maler	146	100	125
	819	679	848
Tecumsehs.			
Mudge	170	170	170
Hill	166	163	168
Turner	169	131	164
Proctor	179	168	195
Gardiner	105	157	107
	789	789	804

Iroquois vs. Mohawks.

Iroquois.			
Mathews	167	171	210
Vaumm	195	151	144
Casack	150	150	150
Gibson	135	135	135
Banner	153	120	120
	800	729	759
Mohawks.			
Jamieson	158	168	156
Mason	157	173	169
Lewis	135	135	135
Curtin	120	120	120
Moran	170	170	170
	737	765	750

Tecumsehs vs. Chilcotins.

Tecumsehs.			
Mudge	180	168	120
Hill	160	160	160
Turner	150	150	150
Proctor	145	174	139
Gardiner	120	120	120
	755	777	695
Chilcotins.			
Fox	141	200	192
Cameron	141	155	176
Anderson	153	125	175
Morley	135	135	135
Saunders	115	98	98
	685	712	776

Standing of League.

	Won.	Lost.	Ave.
Iroquois	8	4	666
Chippewas	6	3	666
Apaches	6	6	500
Tecumsehs	6	6	500
Chilcotins	3	6	333
Mohawks	4	8	333

There is only one game next week on account of the holiday.

OAKLAND RACES

Results of Yesterday's California Track Events—Today's Entries

Oakland, Dec. 21.—The results of today's horse races follows:

First race—First, Brennan; second, A. Oro; third, The Vicar.

Second race—First Tawasantha; second, Native Son; thrid, Gene Russell.

Third race—First, Kelowna; second, Remember; third, Fulleta.

Fourth race—First, Voohhers; second, Berry Maid; third, Creation.

Fifth race—First, Sariscenella; second, Standover; third, Forerunner.

Sixth race—First, Hereafter; second, Rosana; third, Bella Klaney.

First race, ¾ mile, selling—Nebulosus, Dovalto, Gene Russell, Ledax, Sophomore, Mike Asheim, Emma G, Force, Adena, Billy Bowlegs, Wap, Deneen.

Second race, 1 1-16 mile, selling—Gazolo, Warden Yell, Hush Money, Hal, Burnell, Queen Bessie, Lady Hildreth, Sir Angus, Patricia R, Vronsky, Francis Joseph, Uncle Sam.

Third race, ¾ mile selling—Tony Faust, Sir Lynwood, Cadichon, The Mist, Anna May, Sugar Maid, Grace G, Burning Bush, Booyer Red, Fireball.

Fourth race, handicap, 1 1-16 mile—Handbridge, Import, Clamour, Fantastic, Bon Homme, Milford, El Picaro.

Fifth race, 1 mile, selling—Darlington, Bellmore, Eckersall, Talentosa, Gargantua, Brookleaf, Invader, Etapa, Boloman, Patriotic, Taskmaster, Longball.

Sixth race, ¾ mile, purse—Del Cruzado, Ocean Queen, Argonaut, Anna L, Dailey, Warden, Sempronium, Palo Alto, Joe Rose, Lit. Sister, Enamour.

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T. Piper Defeats Various Antagonists at Chess in Joint Contest

Mr. T. Piper on Saturday evening in the members reading room in the Y.M.C.A. building, proved to the satisfaction of both his seven opponents, and of the admiring spectators, that he is indeed a very skilful master of the royal game of chess. The tournament opened sharp upon eight o'clock, and only two players remained unvanquished at eleven o'clock, Messrs. Saunders and Lombard. Mr. W. C. Sheldon, acted as arbiter of the apparently unequal contest.

The seven ployers, who entered the lists were Rev. G. R. B. Kinney, W. B. Fisher, Wm. Scowcroft, Clement Davis, H. J. Saunders, C .A. Lombard, and Horace Paul. Mr. Piper played eight games in all, and seven games simutaneously, and won in six instances, at all events with comparative ease. Mr. Paul, who is a mere youth and a son of superintendent Paul, remained at his board until 10:20 o'clock and was moreover highly complimented by Mr. Piper upon his unquestionable skill. Eight games in all were played, as Rev. Mr. Kinney, who makes his moves with rapidity, had the honor of being beaten twice.

At 10:30 o'clock only two contestants remained unbeaten, Messrs. Saunders and Lombard, and shortly after eleven o'clock they too, notwithstanding their plucky stubbornness shared the fate of their gallant companions. Messrs. Saunders and Lombard, who were members of the Victoria chess club, which is now amalgamated with the Prairie chess club and who lasted the longest played excellent games, Mr. Saunders being considered to have in some measure at least, the advantage of his comrades. It would no doubt however, be admitted by Mr. Piper, that lack of practice had at least something to do with his ability to conquer his seven opponents with so much apparent facility.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Victoria Baseball Club Organized on Sunday—Meeting Largely Attended

The Victoria Baseball club held an organization meeting on Sunday morning at the Rendell rooms, Government street, there being a large attendance. The proceedings were marked by an optimism which is a harbinger of good things for the forthcoming season. The general opinion appears to be that with the material available and the assistance of several players, who, in all probability, will be brought from outside points, the local nine will be capable of more than holding its own with any semi-professional aggregation in the northwest. The fact that the Royal Athletic grounds will be used instead of those at Oak Bay will make a difference in the patronage received by the public. Officers were elected as follows: E. Plummer, president; George Burns, vice-president; L. A. Wattlett, secretary; Robert Peden, treasurer. Other business of minor importance was transacted before adjournment.

CAP AND GOWN AT VICTORIA COLLEGE

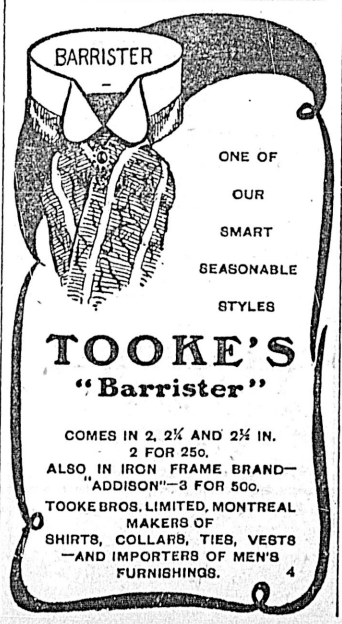
Uniforms Provided for University Students of This City

The student cap with the flowing gown have been introduced at Victoria college. The innovation took place only a few days ago and is confined to those who are taking their first or second year courses in arts. The uniform has been introduced in order that those who have entered on their university career may be distinguished from the pupils of the High school. The idea emanated with the principal and members of the school staff and was commended by the board of school trustees.

The number of university students is increasing every year. During the term just concluded there were thirty members of the first year and five of the second year classes. When affiliation with McGill university was obtained there were but one or two ready to take up the work. Steadily the number taking advantage of the convenience increased and it was stated yesterday that next year would find the classes materially augmented if the present indications could be accepted as anything like a fair criterion.

Breaks Race Record.

Los Angeles, Dec. 19.—A new world's record for one mile and a furlong, circular track, was made at Santa Anita park today, when Vox Populi, carrying 110 pounds, won the Golden State handicap for 3-year-olds and upward. He ran the distance in 1:05 flat, which is 3-5 of a second faster than the best previous time, made by Charles Edward at Brighton Beach, New York, two years ago.



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Y. M. C. A. WON TWO GAMES LAST NIGHT

Seniors Defeated Victoria West in Basketball—Juniors Beat the Bays

Twenty-seven to twelve points was the score in favor of the Y.M.C.A. and Victoria West baseball teams respectively at the close of the senior league match played at Assembly hall last evening. The Young Men's Christian Association five outclassed their opponents throughout, starting in with a rush which carried the Wests off their feet and gave them a lead of eight almost within five minutes. The teams played two distinct styles. The winners put up short, sharp combination, refusing to take a chance at the basket until they were directly under the net. On the other hand the Wests adopted the old form of long distance shooting and lob passing almost from end of the field to the other. Apart altogether from the fact that it is conceded the new method is the most effective, the Wests could not give their tactics a fair test because in long throws the ball often struck the rafters or low hanging decorations. It was quite apparent that it was their first game in the Fort street hall and that they imagined that they could work with as much freedom as in the Drill hall.

At half time the score stood 14 to 5. In the second the Wests braced up a little and seemed to do almost as much shooting as their opponents, But as stated the Fairalls, at one time the fastest local forwards, sent the sphere toward the netting while standing almost in the centre of the floor. Of course they missed in the majority of instances. The other lads did not try unless within easy range and generally when the long arm of Whyte swung the ball basketwards it landed. Thus the Wests narrowly missed scoring many times and the Y. M. C. A. tallied many times.

Unquestionably the match was interesting. It was one of the cleanest and best exhibitions of the season. Once or twice it was inclined to be rough but the promptness of Referee Frank Smith saved it from deterioration on that account.

The detail score follows:

Y.M.C.A.	F'd Goals	F'l Goals	Total
Roskamp	0	0	0
Mason	3	0	6
Petticrew	3	0	6
Whyte	6	1	13
McKitrick	1	0	2
			27

V.W.A.A.	F'd Goals	F'l Goals	Total
Corkall	3	0	6
Bailey	1	0	2
Beaney	1	0	2
Fairall, C.	0	0	0
Fairall, W.	0	2	2
			12

Junior Match.

The Y.M.C.A. junior won a league match with the James Bays in their hall last night by a score of 37 to 4. The score indicates that the contest was uneven. The winners were in better form. They were faster in a combination, surer in shooting, and, clearly demonstrated that they had giving close attention to practice. For the Bays a field goal was made by Buchman while Robertson scored twice on penalties. Every member of the Y.M.C.A. tallied. Fairful made 7, Campbell, 17; Betterton, 5; Brooker, 2; and McKeon, 6 points. The teams lined up as follows: Y.M.C.A.: Guards, Baker and McKeon; centre, Betterton; guards, Fairful and Campbell. James Bays: Guards, Loveridge and McDougall; centre, Robertson; forwards, Rose and Buckman.

Executive Meeting.

A meeting of the executive of the basketball league will be held this evening at the Y.M.C.A. hall, commencing at 8 o'clock. Business of importance will be considered and a full attendance is desired.

MERRIFIELD AND FOLEY WILL BOX

McGovern Retires and Nanaimo Lightweight Takes His Place

A boxing match of interest is scheduled to take place between Kid Merrifield, of Victoria, and Foley, of Nanaimo, on Tuesday evening, the 29th inst., at the A.O.U.W. hall. It had been expected that the local lad would meet Young McGovern, of San Francisco, but the latter has been incapacitated through an unfortunate accident while training and the managers have replaced him with Foley, the whirlwind lightweight of the Coal City. The latter has been training here for three weeks or more and already is in splendid shape. Merrifield is taking more than usual pains in his preparations. He expects that he is going to have one of the hardest contests in his experience. However, he is none the less confident, in fact he is pleased that circumstances have been so ordered as to give him an opportunity of meeting the man who has so often boasted that he could give him a drubbing. The same statement is applicable to Foley. It was his intention to meet an Aberdeen man in the near future and with that object in view he started training. Like Merrifield, he is gratified that McGovern's misfortune should have given him the chance he wanted and he looks forward to showing Victorians what he can do in the ring.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Roper, of Cherry Creek gave a very smart dinner party at the Empress on Saturday evening, where they are staying during their visit to Victoria. After dinner they, with several of their guests, went on to Mrs. Burton's dance.

Mr. R. B. McMicking and Mrs. McMicking returned on Sunday via Seattle from a tour of California points taken in the hope of improving Mr. McMicking's health. Not only was the trip most enjoyable, but the main object was happily achieved, Mr. McMicking feeling much improved.

Rev. Hugh McKellar, of Midnapore, in Alberta, near Calgary, who has been spending his holidays very pleasantly in the beautiful city of the Angels, or Los Angeles, arrived in town on Saturday last and is staying with his friends, Rev. D. MacRae and Mrs. MacRae, at the manse, in Victoria West. He will remain in town until the close of the Christmas festival.

Mr. Andrew Piercy, of Comox, and Miss Hazel Helen Holt, of Tacoma, were quietly married last evening at the Metropolitan parsonage, by Rev. T. E. Holling, and left town by the steamer Whatcom for Seattle on a short honeymoon trip among the Sound cities. Upon their return they will take up their residence in Comox.

There was a large attendance at the Christmas tree, social and dance given last evening at the A. O. U. W. hall, under the auspices of the local branch of the International Geneva Association The decorations were elaborate and tasty. On the stage was a huge Christmas tree, gleaming with candles, small and colored electric lights and laden down with gifts both substantial and dainty. Music was supplied by the Empress hotel orchestra, and the dancing was thoroughly enjoyed. Later on refreshments were dispensed, and the tombola prize winners, of whom there were over one hundred, presented with many good things which hung on the tree. The programme was carried through in creditable style, the efforts of the floor committee comprising Messrs. Haunstetter, Rosshiat, Sins and Kostenbader ensuring the guests a pleasant evening.

Natural History Society.

At the regular meeting last evening of the Natural History society, which was largely attended by members and visitors, Mr. Frank Sylvester, the secretary, continuing his reminiscences, gave an account of a very strenuous trip which he made in the year 1864 up to Quesnel and Cariboo by way of Douglas lake and Lillooet by steamer and stage, a great change in the methods of transportation having during the several years previous been effected. At this period that great government work the construction of a good wagon road to the gold fields at Cariboo, was in the making up along the banks of the rushing Fraser river, between the towns of Yale and Lillooet. Gold at this period was still very abundant in the great interior, and many exciting adventures were of daily occurrence. The portages were traversed, by means of stages and wherever practicable on the water stretches steamers were in use. Rev. Canon Beanlands will read a paper at the first meeting in the New Year.

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Plymouth's Situation Shows Necessity of Development to Cope With Commerce

ARRANGING IMPROVEMENTS

Situation at British Port Shows How Harbor Works Are Needed

The gates of ocean highways such as Victoria necessitate development in advance of the trade in order to cope with the actual requirements. Commerce grows rapidly in the Pacific ocean and to secure the advantages which are within reach of this most favorably located port, easy of access to the open ocean as it is, development will soon be required. What system is to be followed in making this development, what programme of development of inner and outer harbors is to be followed out, must needs be considered at once if Victoria is to have such harbor facilities as the future commerce will require when the changed conditions which will follow the rapid settlement of the northern districts after the Grand Trunk Pacific trains run from coast to coast and the Panama canal has given the freighters of the Atlantic "a short cut" to the Pacific. That ports require development to secure trade notwithstanding the advantages of location is illustrated by the history of Plymouth. A correspondent writing of the projected construction of new harbor works and docks in the vicinity of Plymouth for which parliamentary powers are now being sought, says:

"The geographical advantages of the port will be sufficiently obvious on a glance at the map. Situated at the mouth of the English Channel, it is, with the qualified exception of Falmouth, the outpost port of the kingdom. This, however, would be a dubious merit were it not accompanied by other conditions which far more than outweigh the disadvantages of distance from the metropolis and the Midlands. Plymouth forms an ideal touching spot for the great and ever increasing stream of passenger traffic between the United States and the Continent. Its railway facilities need no further eulogy than to recall the fact that the regular daily express trains between Plymouth and London are the fastest in the United Kingdom, covering 220 miles in a few minutes over four hours. Finally, Plymouth Sound, with its noble sweep of breakwater, is one of the finest harbors in the world.

"Why, then, it may be asked, with such a category of advantages at her gates, and certainly no lack of enterprising people fully alive to the potential value of these, has the mercantile development of the port of Plymouth been so long delayed? The Millbay Docks were adequate to the requirements of a quarter of a century ago, when four thousand tons represented about the limit of size for an ocean carrier, and sail was still very plentiful. But progress has left these docks far behind, owing to their limited possibilities of expansion. The Cattewater presents the obvious alternative opening for development. The immemorial anchorage for merchant vessels—as evidenced by a slab upon the Barbican, reminding strangers that the Pilgrim Fathers sailed from this spot—it seemed but right and proper that this spacious waterway should become honeycombed with docks, wharves, graving basins, and all the latter-day appliances for the berthing and discharging of great ships. Such a development would have resulted in the realization of Plymouth's long cherished dream of becoming a terminal port, instead of merely a place of call for the landing of mails and dropping or picking up of passengers.

Similar to Victoria

"There are many features of the situation at Plymouth which are similar to that which prevails at Victoria. The geographical position of Victoria is even more advantageous on the Pacific ocean than is Plymouth to the trade of the Atlantic. Victoria is not only on the line of the strategical "All-Red route" of Empire, but it is the only port jutting direct upon the great Pacific—the ocean of the future where the struggle for the commercial mastery has yet to be fought out.

Plymouth had one great handicap, the fixed idea of the navy to retain the place primarily as a naval base. Every proposed undertaking for bringing the great steamship companies to Plymouth has been vetoed by the Admiralty. The Plymouth correspondent of the Standard writes: "Plymouth Sound for the navy is the keynote to all their opposition. Nor can it be for one moment pretended that the development of the Cattewater, where already the Admiralty are establishing an oil fuel depot and a submarine base, could be adequately undertaken without restricting the naval resources of the place.

"So much for the history of past failures to expand the unrivalled natural and artificial advantages of Plymouth as a terminal port. But now we come to a new phase. The Bill before parliament has discounted any possibility of a repetition of past experiences by quitting Plymouth Sound altogether, and thus getting away from the recognized jurisdiction of the Admiralty. Wembury bay has been selected as the site of the proposed new docks. The new docks would be formed by breakwaters enclosing the whole of Wembury bay. The contour of the land, which is very bold and of red sandstone principally, would render extensive excavations very difficult. But in the form in which it is proposed to carry out the undertaking, no serious engineering problems are presented. The new docks would afford accommodation for vessels of much larger dimensions than the leviathans of today, and would have depth enough for these to enter and leave at all states of the tide. As the crow flies, Wembury is about two and a half miles from Plymouth; by an extension of the existent railway route it would be brought within less than three miles of the junction with either the Great Western or London and Southwestern main lines at Laira.

"In its engineering aspects the scheme may be taken as entirely feasible. The great point upon which speculation now turns is the possible attitude of the Admiralty towards the project. Probably nothing authentic will be heard upon the subject until the bill is discussed in parliament. In naval circles at Plymouth it is believed that no opposition whatever will be offered, particularly since the scheme will in no way clash with the service interests in the port. Rumor, finding credence in sufficiently responsible quarters to be worthy of attention, has it that the Admiralty are likely to be favorably disposed, on strategic grounds. The Cunard and White Star lines are known to be active supporters of the scheme, with the idea of adopting Plymouth as their terminal port. It is worth recalling that for some months past there have been vague suggestions that the Lusitania and Mauretania will be permitted to berth in Devonport dockyard or to anchor in the man-of-war anchorage in Jennycliff bay. Although neither of these statements is correct yet they serve to call to mind the old axiom about "no smoke without fire." It is well known that the war role of these two heavily subventioned Cunarders would be to rush food supplies into the country. The carrying capacity of these vessels is something like 40,000 tons apiece. Their speed is 25 knots; and it is something more than coincidence that this should also be the speed of the Indomitable cruisers. Three of these warships are now in existence; a fourth is to be laid down forthwith at Devonport. This would give two Indomitables apiece to the Cunard leviathans as an escort. Their individual main armament is equal to that of any two pre-Dreadnought battleships; their speed superior to that of any warship ever put upon the water. The Wembury docks would lie under the heavy batteries of Bovisand and Reny, and would be covered by virtually the whole of the fortifications of Plymouth Sound.

"If the Wembury docks enterprise is sanctioned and carried through—and the one result would speedily follow the other, for big interests are at work—then Plymouth will assuredly assume the proportions of the greatest port of the Empire. The opening of the Keyham extension works two years ago rendered Devonport dockyard the greatest naval establishment in the world. To expand the commercial maritime resources of the Western port on a relatively similar scale is what the promoters of the Wembury docks scheme are aiming at."

The steamer Vadso of the Boscowitz steamship company is to be used to carry the cargo of fertilizer to San Diego for the Pacific Whaling company, and the Venture will be continued on the northern route while the Vadso is engaged on the trip.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE

Special to the Colonist

Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, wind east, 28 miles an hour.

Tatoosh, noon—Cloudy, wind east, 26 miles an hour. Inward, steamer City of Puebla, San Francisco for Victoria, at 11.30 a.m.

Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, wind east, 34 miles an hur.

By Wireless

Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, wind 28 miles an hour. Bar. 30.03, temp. 42. Passed in, two-masted schooner, at 5.10 a.m.

Estevan, 8 a.m.—Rain, light southeast wind. Bar. 30, temp. 44. Sea moderate.

Pachena, 8 a.m—Cloudy, wind east. Bar. 28.87, temp. 42. Sea moderate.

Cape Lazo, 8 a.m.—Rain, fog, calm. Bar. 29.98, temp. 36. Sea smooth.

Point Grey, 8 a.m.—Rain and calm. Bar. 30.02, temp. 39.

Tatoosh, noon—Cloudy, wind east, 26 miles an hour. Bar. 30.02, temp. 44. Passed in, steamer City of Puebla, at 11.30 a.m.

Estevan, noon—Raining, light southeasterly breeze. Bar. 30.03, temp. 45. Sea smooth.

Pachena, noon—Rain, wind east. Bar. 29.87, temp. 40. Sea smooth.

Cape Lazo, noon—Clear and calm. Bar. 30.02, temp. 39. Sea smooth.

Point Grey, noon—Light rain, wind southeast, thick haze on inlet. Bar. 30.04, temp. 42. Out, C.P.R. transfer in toow, at 11.20.

Cape Lazo, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, calm. Bar. 29.95, temp. 38. Sea smooth. No shipping.

Point Grey, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, light southeast wind. Bar. 29.95, temp. 40. In, steamer Cassiar, at 3.30 p.m.

Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, wind east, 32 miles an hour. Bar. 29.94, temp. 43. In, steamer Tallac, at 2.20 p.m.

Estevan, 6 p.m.—Rain, wind east. Bar. 29.99, temp. 44. Sea smooth. Steamer Iyo Maru in lat. 49.1, long. 129.30 at 5.30 p.m.

Pachena, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, an easterly breeze. Bar. 29.78, temp. 40. Sea moderate. No shipping.

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RECOMMEND BUILDING OF NEW STEAMERS

Capt. Troup, Superintendent of C.P.R. SS. Co., Returns—Wireless for May

Capt. J. W. Troup, superintendent of the British Columbia coast steamship service of the C.P.R., has returned from the conference of C.P.R. officials held at Winnipeg at which estimates were given to William Whyte, first vice-president, of the requirements of the various divisions, for submission to the directors at Montreal, who will pass upon the work to be done. Capt. Troup said that a number of recommendations for the improvement of his branch of the big transporation system were made, but he was unwilling to enter into details. It is understood, however, that the recommendations made included the suggested building of two new steamers, one for the Victoria-Vancouver service and another for the northern trade. Until these recommendations have been considered at Montreal it will not be known whether the proposed additions will be made to the local fleet.

Capt. Troup stated that arrangements had been made to equip the steamer Princess May with wireless telegraphic apparatus and if the system was found satisfactory on the Skagway liner the other steamers of the company would be equipped. The installation has been taken up by the telegraphic department of the C.P.R., and it is expected the steamer will be equipped within a short time.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE CHARTER MARKET

Both Lumber and Grain Chartering Continues Dull and Uninteresting at Coast Ports

The coast grain freight market is dull and uninteresting, says the San Francisco Commercial News in its weekly report of the charter market. Two vessels were taken during the week to load at northern ports, the Archibald Russel to load at Tacoma on owners' account, and the Bossuet to load at Portland at 22s 3d, this rate being 5s 3d below the union minimum and showing a very weak market. But three vessels are left to load at this port, seven of the Sound and nine at Portland, with only a very few under charter to arrive. One of the free list at this port has been ordered to Australia in ballast, leaving but three vessels available for grain on the free list. The list at northern ports, however, is large enough to be a considerable drag on the market, and there is little possibility of any improvement in rates while that list remains as large as at present. In fact, shippers generally look for a weak market for months to come.

Offshore lumber chartering is quiet and is likely to remain so until after the holidays. One steamer is reported taken on time charter for the west coast and a coaster is fixed from Grays to Sydney at 30s. Coastwise freights hold steady, rates being quoted $3.50 to $3.75 to San Francisco and $4.25 south.

Offshore rates are quoted approximately as follows: Lumber from Puget Sound or British Columbia to Sydney, 27s 6d to 28s 3d; to Melbourne or Adelaide, 30s; Port Pirie, 30s to 32s 6d; to Fremantle, 37s 6d; to Japan ports (steamers), 30s; Callao, 35s 9d to 41s 3d; direct nitrate ports, 38s 9d to 41s 3d; Valparaiso for orders, 40s to 42s 6d; 2s 6d less to a direct port; to South African ports, 47s 6d, to U. K. or continent, 48s 6d to 50s; Guaymas, $5.75; Santa Rosalia, $6.50.

Liverpool mail advices give the following fixtures: Rotterdam to San Francisco, coke, 21s; South Australia to U. K., 22s spot and 21s 3d January; nitrate freight steady at 14s.

PRINCESS CHARLOTTE DUE A WEEK FROM TODAY

Has Furnishings and Accommodations Superior to British Ferry Liners

The new steamer Princess Charlotte of the C. P. R., which is now nearing Victoria, is expected to arrive on Tuesday next, according to the C. P. R. officials, unless a spurt is made on the last part of the voyage, which is not anticipated. The steamer has been voyaging at an economical speed of about thirteen knots and was last reported from Callao on December 14. After being hauled out to be cleaned and repainted after her long voyage, and generally overhauled, it is expected the new steamer will enter service early in January.

The Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Company, builders of the Princess Charlotte, have just received an order for three fast passenger steamers for the Zeeland company for service between England and Holland. The firm will have a busy six months, having received a good share of the recent naval orders placed on the Clyde.

The Princess Charlotte is one of the finest vessels of her type built by the Scottish shipyards, being far superior in her furnishings and accommodations to the best of the British cross-channel ferry steamers. The Great Eastern Company and the Belgian government have the best of these vessels. The Great Eastern Railway Company has just placed a new triple screw turbine steamer, the Munich, a sister steamer of the Copenhagen, on the Harwich-Hook of Holland route. The accommodations are not equal in these steamers to those of the new C. P. R. steamer. The machinery of the Munich consists of triple-screw turbines of the Parsons marine type, which have been designed to drive the vessel at a speed of 21 knots. A complete wireless telegraph equipment has been installed in this vessel, as in all the steamers of the Great Eastern Railway Company. Her main dimensions are: Length, 331.2 feet; breadth, 43.2 feet; depth, 17.8 feet. The service which these vessels are called upon to perform is an especially arduous one and calls for the use of the best material as well as the exercise of the greatest navigational skill. Besides the Munich and Copenhagen, the Great Eastern Railway Co. is owner of the following steamers: Amsterdam, Brussels, Cambridge, Chelmsford, Clacton, Colchester, Cromer, Dresden, Peterboro, Vienna and a few smaller ones.

NORTH GERMAN LLOYD TO RUN ON PACIFIC

Will Establish Trans-Pacific Line to Connect With the Western Pacific Railway

The North German Lloyd proposes to enter the transPacific trade, according to advices from San Francisco. Officials of the German Steamship company have been in negotiation for some time with officials of the Western Pacific Railway Company for a traffic agreement on Pacific freight. The latter, in anticipation of a steamship service to the Far East, is negotiating for piers and wharfage along the waterfront at the Golden Gate.

Railway and steamship men at San Francisco are certain that the water carrier of this railroad will be the German line. The German company recently announced that on the completion of the Panama canal it will operate steamers from New York to San Francisco, and thence to the Orient. It is pointed out that the agreement between the steamship company and the railroad only hastens the announced plans of the line, the officials of which have been ambitious for many years to establish a fleet of steamships that shall encircle the globe.

IYO MARU REPORTED —WILL ARRIVE TODAY

Japanese Liner Making a Good Passage—Shinano Maru Sails Today

The Japanese steamer Iyo Maru of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Capt. Ishikawa, reported by wireless telegraphy to Estevan Point at 5:30 p. m. yesterday when in latitude 49.1 north, and longitude 129.30 west. The steamer is making a fast run from Yokohama. She left a day after the Empress of China which arrived on Saturday morning less than fourteen days from Yokohama. The Iyo Maru is the first steamer to sail since the new regulations were put into effect at Yokohama regarding the inspection of Japanese immigrants, who are now examined jointly by Japanese and United States medical officers if bound to the United States.

The Shinano Maru of the same line, Capt. Yagi, will sail from the Outer wharf this afternoon and both steamers will be in port today. The Shinano Maru is taking out a fair cargo and an average complement of passengers. Both steamers are in charge of Japanese masters. In this connection the following which appears in the Japan Advertiser of November 28, is of interest. "The Nippon Yusen Kaisha is considering seriously as to discontinuing the employment of foreign captains on its vessels. Formerly the foreign travelling public put little confidence in Japanese captains; and the services of high salaried foreigners was a matter of necessity but of late foreign travellers have begun to show that the services of such high salaried foreign officers can be dispensed with. It is stated that there are altogether thirty captains in the service of the company, half of whom are foreigners.

The steamer Tees of the C.P.R. sailed last night for Cape Scott and way ports in charge of Capt. Gillam, her mate. Capt. Townsend laid off for the trip to spend the first Christmas at home in eleven years. Capt. Townsend has been employed steadily on this route for eleven years and has had an excellent record on this run.

The steamer City of Puebla of the Pacific Coast steamship company arrived from San Francisco. She brought 93 passengers, 44 first and 49 second class, and about 70 tons of general freight for Victoria. The passengers who landed here were: Fred Wilson, Miss M. Miller, John Christain, W. Vialan, Miss Irene Newlings, Samuel Weeks, G. K. Morrison and wife, Miss J. O. Morrison, E. W. Langley.

The steamer Tees, Captain Townsend, of the C. P. R. returned yesterday from Quatsino and way ports of the west coast with about 45 passengers. There was no cargo. The passengers included Mr. Wingham, who has been hunting elk in the Kyuquot district from where he brought a fine head. A party of timber cruisers who have been mapping out timber in the district beyond Nootka sound also returned on the steamer. J. Williams, telegraph operator at Port Renfrew, was also a passenger. The Tees will sail again tonight for Cape Scott and way ports.

A grand total of 330,000 tons of sugar will be carried from the Hawaiian Islands to the San Francisco and New York and Philadelphia refineries by the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company, comprising the company's share of the 1908-1909 crop. To provide against the congestion contingency during the coming season, owing to the increased sugar tonnage which the American-Hawaiian Company will transport to the Atlantic seaboard, a large amount of sugar will be sent around the Horn, via Magellan. The total tonnage to be moved by the American-Hawaiian Company is 330,000. Of this, 230,000 tons will be shipped via Tehuantepec, and 55,000 tons via Magellan; a total of 285,000 tons. This is a total increase over last season's total of 45,000 tons.

MOVEMENT OF VESSELS

Steamers to Arrive.

From the Orient.

Vessel	Due
Empress of China	Dec. 18
Iyo Maru	Dec. 24
Titan	Dec. 26
From Australia.	
Makura	Dec. 16
From Mexico.	
Georgia	Jan. 16
From Skagway.	
Princess May	Dec. 23

From Northern British Columbia Ports.

Venture	Dec. 24
Princess Beatrice	Dec. 19
From West Coast.	
Tees	Dec. 18
From San Francisco.	
City of Puebla	Dec. 21
Umatilla	Dec. 26
Queen	Dec. 31

Sailing Vessels.

Vessel.	Left	Date
Puritan	Boston	

Steamers to Sail.

For the Orient.

Vessel.	Date.
Aki Maru	Dec. 22
For Australia.	
Makura	Dec. 31
For Mexico.	
Lonsdale	Dec. 31
For Skagway.	
Princess May	

For Northern British Columbia Ports.

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Princess Beatrice	Dec. 21
For West Coast.	
Tees	Dec. 20
For San Francisco.	
City of Puebla	Dec. 17
Umatilla	Dec. 22
Queen	Dec. 27

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Julius Brethour was in the city yesterday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Billings, of Sidney, are in the city.

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Mrs. H. Simpson and Miss Simpson, of Saanichton, spent yesterday in town.

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Mrs. Scharschmidt, of Saanichton, was in the city yesterday.

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W. Greig, of Keatings Crossing, was in town yesterday.

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Mrs. Scharffe, of Keatings Crossing, arrived in the city yesterday morning.

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Bendle Soper, of this city, spent the week end with friends in Seattle.

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J. J. White and Mrs. White, of Sidney, spent yesterday in town.

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J. F. Venables, a commercial traveller of Seattle, is at the King Edward.

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Capt. Guthrie, of Comox, came down on the noon train yesterday.

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Capt. Hughes left this morning on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver.

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E. W. Briggs went over to Seattle last evening on the Princess Royal.

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Thomas Reid, from Sidney Island, is spending a few days in town.

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Hon. D. M. Eberts left this morning on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver.

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T. D. Pattullo, of Vancouver, is staying at the Empress.

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George H. Casey, of Butte, Montana, is a visitor to Victoria. He is staying at the Empress.

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John T. Fife, the Vancouver insurance man, is in the city. He is a guest at the Empress.

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G. L. Tanzer, of Seattle, arrived in Victoria yesterday. He is a guest at the Empress.

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C. Bethune went over to Vancouver this morning on his regular weekly trip.

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W. T. Kingsmill, of Nelson, returned home this morning after a week's visit in the city.

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C. W. Lane, of Somenos, is in the city on business, and is among those registered at the Dominion hotel.

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Henry Fry and wife, of Chemainus, are in the city. They are guests at the King Edward hotel.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lowell, of Skagway, are spending their holidays in the city with friends.

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Miss Margaret McPherson has returned to her home in Cowichan, after spending the week end in the city.

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Miss M. Grimm has returned after making an extended visit to relatives in Oakland, California.

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Mrs. Brethour, of Sidney, is in the city. She was among the passengers by the V. & S. yesterday morning.

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G. Ferguson, of Keatings Crossing, was among those who reached the city yesterday morning by the V. & S. train.

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Mrs. Martineau, of Sidney, arrived in the city yesterday morning by the V. & S. train.

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Miss Gilmour left last evening for Grand Forks to spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Taylor.

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Capt. W. Bissett, of Saanich, came to the city yesterday morning, and returned by the afternoon train.

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Miss Baptiste went over to Vancouver this morning on a short holiday trip.

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Miss Irene Newlings returned from San Francisco yesterday by the steamer City of Puebla.

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Fred Deppe and wife were passengers from Seattle yesterday by the steamer Whatcom.

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Mr. J. M. Barrett, of Chicago, called at the Tourist association's rooms yesterday.

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Miss Ruby McB. Smith, after an absence of four years in Europe, arrived home yesterday.

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Miss L. C. Jones, who for the past few months has been in Nicomen, B. C., has returned to Victoria to spend Christmas.

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Mrs. Payton, accompanied by her daughter, returned to Vancouver this morning after a three days visit with friends here.

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Miss Kate Robertson was among the passengers from Duncans by the noon train yesterday. She will spend several days here with friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ruffner, from Atlin, are spending a short time in town, and during their visit are registered at the Empress.

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Mrs. M. King arrived from Shawnigan Lake by the noon train yesterday. She came to the city to do some Christmas shopping.

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Miss Batiste left by the steamer Princess Victoria for Vancouver en route to Toronto, Ont., on Sunday night.

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George Sanborn, of Seattle, came over from the Sound yesterday, and intends remaining here several days. He is staying at the Dominion.

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Capt. Bloomquist, of Shawnigan Lake, is registered at the Dominion. He contemplates remaining here for several days.

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W. J. Cartley, of Duncans, is at the King Edward. He came down yesterday and proposes remaining here until the end of the week.

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W. G. Findlay, physical instructor of the Y. M. C. A., left for Calgary on Sunday night. It is his intention to spend the Christmas holidays there with friends.

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L. L. Butler, of Tracksell and Butler, and Mrs. Butler and child, left by the steamer Princess Royal last night on a trip to Chicago, and eastern cities.

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G. K. Morrison and wife and Miss Morrison were among the passengers who returned from San Francisco yesterday by the steamer City of Puebla.

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Major Hibben was last week presented with a handsome set of silver by No. 3 company, Fifth Regiment, on the occasion of his wedding, which took place recently.

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E. V. Bodwell, K. C., left for Vancouver last night to argue a couple more cases before the full court. One of them is the Fiddick case, which has been set for tomorrow.

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Mr. and Mrs. Trenholm, of Winnipeg, who have been spending the past two weeks with friends here, left this morning via the C.P.R. on their return to their home in the east.

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E. R. Coleman and William Bryce, of Spokane, who have been in the city on business, returned home via the Princess Royal and the Northern Pacific last night.

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Mrs. Rowlands has left Caledonia avenue and gone to 317 Phoenix place. She will be at home on the 4th and 5th of January and every third Monday of each month.

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Among the passengers on the Princess Victoria this morning for Vancouver were E. A. Morris, Miss Gilmour, J. Ward, D. W. Young, M. B. Travers, F. C. Tingley, J. H. Knott, Miss Thompson.

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Mr. W. G. Findlay, Y.M.C.A. physical director, left town on Sunday evening for Calgary on two weeks' leave of absence. Mr. Findlay, who originally belonged to Hamilton, Ontario, came to this city from Calgary.

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Mr. and Mrs. McMicking have returned home for Christmas after spending a few weeks in California, where Mr. McMicking went for the benefit of his health. Mr. McMicking has returned greatly benefitted by the change.

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Mrs. Burton, St. Charles street, gave a delightful children's party on Friday evening, which was much enjoyed by the merry young people who were present. The youthful guests were: Miss Innes Bodwell, Miss Brownie Bodwell, Miss Marjorie Robertson, Miss Dorothy Edwards, Miss Navini Holmes, Miss Peri Warren, the Misses Jones, Miss Isabel Wilson, the Messrs. Dick Jones, Frank Holland, Douglas Prentice, Worsfold, Fritz and Gerald Peters, Robin Watt and several of the pupils from Mr. Laing's school. On Saturday evening Mrs. Burton gave a small informal dance in honor of Miss Pemberton and Mr. Sampson. Among the guests were: Miss Pemberton, Mr. and Mrs. Roper, Mr. and Mrs. Bodwell, Mr. and Mrs. Galletley, Mrs. Harvey Combe, Mrs. Courtney, Miss Aline Mackay, Miss Helen Peters and Messrs. Cookson, Frobisher, Jephsen, Dewdney, Bromley, Montgomery, Colonel Gregory and others.

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VERY BUSY DAY IN THE CHAMBER COURT

Mr. Justice Martin Occupied Both Morning and Afternoon Yesterday

Mr. Justice Martin faced a court room crowded with lawyers yesterday morning when he opened the chamber court. The profession had had several days' notice that there would be a judge available, and there were a number of important matters to be decided. In fact, the session lasted the entire day, and even then was not concluded, the Victoria West arbitration case, which was the piece de resistence, being still under argument when the court rose in the afternoon. It will be resumed this morning as soon as uncontested matters have been disposed of.

In Cross vs. the E. & N. railway, Wm. G. Moresby obtained leave to amend the endorsement on the writ of summons.

In Cane vs. Cane, an action for divorce, it was agreed that the trial be had without a jury. Wm. C. Moresby for the plaintiff, and Thornton Fell and J. A. Aikman for the respondent and co-respondent.

In the matter of the estate of the late Rose Haskins, E. J. Kitto applied for an order for special administration. It appears that some time ago a resident of Toronto was appointed administrator, and Mr. Kitto stated that when he got the appointment he stated that he was a resident of Victoria, and that he shortly after left the jurisdiction with all the assets, and has not administered anything. H. B. Robertson appeared for the administrator, and asked for time to get instructions, as there had not yet been time to hear from his client. The matter was adjourned until the first Monday in January.

In Hamilton vs. Bouchier, Harry Lawson's application to have a fund paid out of court was granted. It appears that it was paid into court under a garnishee order about a year ago, and that nothing has since been done with the action.

In the Victoria Phoenix Brewing company et al, vs. Quagliotti, an action to have a building removed which is alleged to obstruct rights of way to which the plaintiffs claim that they are entitled. J. A. Aikman, on behalf of the defendant, made application to make the plaintiffs sue separately. He claimed that the only thing they had in common was the fact that the title of all originally came from the Hudson's Bay company. The brewery in addition claimed that ancient lights were being obstructed. His lordship held that the plaintiffs were entitled to sue together and with regard to the lights agreed with Mr. Robertson, on the other side, that that was a mere matter of incidental relief. The application was dismissed with costs.

In Lampner vs. Lampner, an Indian divorce case, Mr. Goward made application to take the evidence of one of the witnesses by affidavit, as he was going to Sechelt. His lordship thought that the reason advanced was inadequate.

Col. Gregory made application in the matter of the Emily Young estate for leave to sell some real estate. The heirs who are of age consented, but there were also some minors. His lordship directed the matter to stand over until a guardian ad litem could be appointed.

Probate of the Raymond estate was granted on the application of H. D. Helmcken, K.C., who also asked leave to sell certain property belonging to the Tarlton estate. It appears that Tarlton had lent money on the property to one Hay, and his estate had foreclosed in default of repayment. Hay also died some eight years ago, and no heirs had been located. His lordship directed that the sale be advertised for a month in the local papers.

In Chong Yick vs. the Capital Canning company, a somewhat complicated state of affairs was revealed. It appears that the cannery machinery had been taken over by the trustee of the debenture holders, while the Northern Crown bank had a lien on the pack for sums advanced in the shape of a warehouse receipt. The plaintiff had got a judgment but when he put the sheriff in, he found that pretty nearly everything in sight appeared to be claimed by someone else. Accordingly C. Keifer, of the firm of Eberts and Taylor, made application that the trustee for the debenture holders and the other creditors should interplead and find out where they stood. Frank Higgins appeared for the judgment creditor and favored that course of action. For the debenture holders, however, Harry Lawson explained that the trust deed only referred to the machinery and plant, and they made no claim to the pack which was hypothecated to the bank. Mr. Moresby said that all the bank claimed was the pack. Finally Judge Martin remarked that judging from the wording of the various claims the application was justified, but after the explanations given, an interpleader issue might prove unneccessary. Accordingly he directed the claims to be amended and to be submitted to him in their revised form this morning.

Cunningham vs. Stockham is an action for specific performance on an agreement to sell timber lands in which the plaintiff pleads tender. This is denied by the defendant and it appears that after the defence was delivered a second tender was made which was pleaded in reply. This plea in the reply Thornton Fell moved to strike out, quoting a number of authorities. R. T. Elliott, K.C., argued on behalf of the pleading. Eventually his lordship reserved judgment in order to look into the authorities cited.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Civic Workmen's Wages.

Sir—Senator W. J. Macdonald can be speaking for but few, if any, of the city workmen for the following reasons. At a duly advertised and largely attended meeting of the city's workmen they unanimously agreed to ask the city council to pay them weekly. Mr. Macdonald's right to speak for the workmen is further exemplified in his lack of knowledge as to when they are really paid. He writes that they are paid "punctually at the end of each month." They have never been paid at the end of each month but they used to be paid on the fifth of the month. For some months back payment has been made twice a month, but so unpunctually that the pay was sometimes five, and on one occasion seven days later than the appointed time for it being paid. It is a fact that for some time back the workmen have not known what date they would be paid. The "good pay" is imaginary on the senator's part; always laid off in wet, and often in dry weather, with high prices for the necessaries of life, the city workman's living is anything but opulent.

It is not so "ill-advised and unbecoming for outside labor to interfere in this manner" as it is for Senator Macdonald to take upon himself to speak for labor in general or city labor in particular. Let "outside" and city workmen combine if need be to do their own thinking and negotiating; they cannot delegate with advantage to themselves, these duties to senators.

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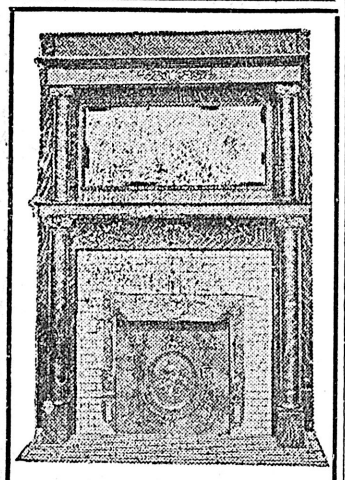

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ATTACKS ARBITRATION OVER VICTORIA WEST

E. V. Bodwell Endeavors to Have Whole Proceedings Set Aside

Mrs. Ward's application for a writ of prohibition directed to Dennis Harris, the arbitrator in the Victoria West arbitration, enjoining him from proceeding with the case, came up in chambers yesterday, and lasted practically all day, not being completed when the court rose, and while the arguments are not yet over it was abundantly evident from remarks let fall from time to time by Mr. Justice Martin, the presiding judge, that a very serious onslaught upon the validity of the whole transaction was being made.

The attack was led by E. V. Bodwell, K. C., R. T. Elliott, K. C., being with him. Thornton Fell, instructed by City Solicitor Mann, appeared for the city, while George Jay was there in behalf of the arbitrator. Mr. Bodwell attacked the bylaw from several points of view, alleging that both it and the act of the legislature, part of which was incorporated in the bylaw, were so drawn as to be invalid. He pointed out that in an attempt to do away with the usual petition necessary before passing a money bylay, the act said that subsections 2 and 3 of section 246 of the Municipal Clauses Act should not apply. Unfortunately section 246 had no subsections of any kind. Section 256 was no doubt intended but the court had to consider what the legislature said, not what it intended to say. The result was the method of assessment contemplated in the bylaw was invalid.

Not Official Map

Another point was that the bylaw provided that the money was to be raised in part by assessing all the land within the official city map. The only official city map was that which included the old city of Victoria, of which Victoria West was formerly not a part. If the Ralph survey, declared to be the official map of Victoria West, had been meant, the bylaw should have said so. On this point later on His Lordship drew attention to the fact that in the same bylaw several different expressions were apparently used to designate the Ralph survey and commented very strongly on the way it was drafted. The blame apparently lies with the legislature, which passed the enabling act, from which the sections were copied. Speaking of this, Judge Martin said:

"The language of the act is most extraordinary and slovenly. One would hardly have believed that the act could have been so drawn, but there it is."

In further development of his case, Mr. Bodwell said that the arbitrator was instructed by the act to do something which he could not do under the terms of the act and bylaw. He was told to readjust the boundaries of the lots in Victoria West in accordance with the Ralph survey, both as regards encroachments by property owners on the streets, and as between the property owners themselves. He produced the original Ralph survey, which turned out to be merely a survey of streets and blocks, but without any subdivision into lots, and asked how the arbitrator could possibly settle the boundaries of the lots according to a map on which no lot boundaries were marked. It may be said here, though it was not produced yesterday, that the city authorities are understood to state that there is another map showing the lots, which was filed as an annex to the streets map, and that the two of them constitute the Ralph survey.

The Defence

For the city, Thornton Fell argued that the applicant had appeared and had been a party to the arbitration for months, and had raised many objections. She had, however, never raised these points before, and so was not entitled to raise them now. She must be held to have waived them, but the learned judge intimated that the question of jurisdiction could be raised at any time before the matter was settled.

He then sought to show that all the trouble arose over a strip of land nine inches wide at the widest end, and tapering to nothing in three feet, and read an affidavit from the arbitrator saying that it was impossible to place any value on it at all. Mr. Bodwell said that the piece ran through a house. Mr. Fell disputed this, and the judge complained that there was no material before him which would set the matter at rest. Mr. Fell also said that in point of fact the arbitrator had not been asked and did not intend to arbitrate on the value of the piece of land lying between the property of Mrs. Patton and Mrs. Ward, which is the small strip referred to, and that a writ of prohibition should not be granted. He did not propose to do what it was asked that he should be prohibited from doing. His Lordship did not appear to agree with this, saying that the arbitrator was commissioned to decide such matters and the court was bound to assume that he would perform all duties legally cast upon him. There was evidence that Mrs. Patton had given notice that she intended to invoke arbitration on this point.

When the court rose for the day, Mr. Fell was quoting a number of authorities going to show that the courts will not hold a bylaw to be meaningless if they can avoid it, nor quash one if it can in anyway be upheld. The arguments will be resumed in chambers this morning as soon as non-contentious business has been disposed of.

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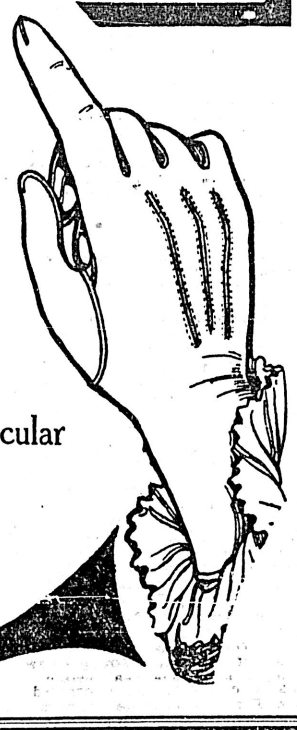

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TO RENT—Six-room cottage, modern, in first-class repair, on Belleville St. A. W. Bridgman, 1007 Government St. d20

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FOR SALE—New 8-room house, every convenience; best locality; five minutes walk from P. O. $4,250. Apply Owner, Drawer 757, Victoria, P. O. d20

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TO LET—Furnished room, comfortable, very central; board if desired. 851 Pandora. d19

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WANTED—MALE HELP

WANTED—Boys at the B. C. Paint Company's Works, Laurel Point. d19

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MRS. ROACH of the Corona House has left Pandora street and will take over the Finlayson home, 2412 Douglas, on January 7, which will in the future be known as the Corona. d20

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LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a renewal of license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises known as the Gorge Hotel, situated on Tillikum Road.

ELIZA MARSHALL.

The Gorge, B.C., 18th November, 1908.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a license to sell intoxicating liquor on the premises to be known as the Howard Hotel, situated at Esquimalt.

JOSEPH BALL.

BOARD AND ROOM.

WANTED—Six roomers and boarders. First class accommodation. Terms $24.00 per month. Apply Mrs. Taylor, 1136 Caledonia. d18

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ELOCUTION.

MADAM CARR, from London, will give lessons in Dramatic Elocution. Box 425, Colonist. d19

NOTICE.

In the Matter of the "Companies' Winding Up Act, 1898," and in the Matter of the Vancouver Shipbuilding, Sealing & Trading Company, Limited Liability.

Notice is hereby given that all creditors and others having claims against the above-named company are requested, on or before the 24th day of January, 1909, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, to Herbert Lockwood, Room 8, Empire Building, Hastings street, Vancouver, B. C., Joint Liquidator of said company. And further take notice that after such last-mentioned date the liquidators will proceed to distribute the assets of the company among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the liquidators have then notice.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of November, 1908.

HERBERT LOCKWOOD,
JOHN ROUNSEFELL,
Joint Liquidators.

Room 8, Empire Building, Vancouver, B. C.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that British Columbia Packers' Association intend to apply two months after date to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for a lease of the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the South West corner of the Indian Reserve, No. 1, Alert Bay, and marked "B.C. Packers' Association S.W. Corner;" thence 10 chains southwest, thence 20 chains west paralleling the Coast line, thence 10 chains north to high water mark, thence 20 chins east following the Coast line at high water mark to point of commencement, including the tidal lands, foreshore and lands covered by water within the said limits.

(Signed)
B. C. PACKERS' ASSOCIATION.
Robert Chambers, Agent.

Dated 16th November, 1908.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve placed upon certain lands in the vicinity of Lower Kootenay River, District of Kootenay, notice of which appeared in the British Columbia Gazette of the 14th August, 1884, and bearing date of 13th of August, 1884, is cancelled, for the purpose of disposing of such lands by public auction, and to permit of giving effect to the recommendations contained in the report of Mr. W. F. Teetzel, a commissioner appointed to adjudicate upon the claims of certain squatters upon the said lands, but for no other purpose.

ROBERT A. RENWICK.

Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works, Lands and Works Department. Victoria, B. C., 6th October, 1908.

CIVIC NOTICE

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to construct permanent sidewalks on both sides of Alpha street from Burnside Road to Douglas Street and to drain and macadamize the same, and that each and all of said works shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Local Improvement General By-Law, and amendment thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said by-law, upon each and every of said works of local improvement, giving statement showing the amount estimated to be chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property to be benefited by the said works, and the report of the City Engineer and City Assessor aforesaid, having been adopted by the Council; NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the said report is open for inspection at the office of the City Assesseor, City Hall, Douglas street.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

Victoria, B. C., City Clerk's Office, December 17, 1908.

FOR ALDERMAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 5.

I beg to inform you that I am an Aldermanic Candidate for Ward 5. I have large property interests in the ward, I believe in making Victoria a progressive and an up-to-date city, and I am convinced that there is room for improvement in the management of our civic affairs. My policy will be:

First—Good roads.

Second—An ample water supply, even if it does cost $2,000,000, for in my opinion Victoria cannot be made beautiful without an unlimited supply of water.

Third—A two years term for Aldermen, one half to retire each year by rotation.

Fourth—The abolition of the ward system.

Fifth—Good roads.

I am not allied with any clique, party or faction, but will if elected do my best for the general good of the city. Yours truly,

JOHN A. TURNER.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

Notice is hereby given that the reserve existing on Lot 7,946, Group 1, Kootenay, by virtue of the notice dated December 24th, 1907, and appearing in the British Columbia Gazette of December 27th, 1907, is cancelled for the purpose of effecting a sale of said lot to Edgar S. Home.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,

Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., December 17, 1908.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

Notice is hereby given that the reserve covering the fractional Sections 31, 32 and 33, Denman Island, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette of October 21st, 1876, is cancelled.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,

Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., December 17, 1908.

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TO RENT—Large wharf at foot of Yates street, rent $120 per month.

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PENDER ISLAND—650 acres of land, well timbered, 5 acres cleared, splendid sea frontage, small cabin. Price $10,500.

GORDON HEAD—7 acres, all cleared, fine fruit land, splendid view of water For sale cheap on easy terms.

MONEY TO LOAN—Fire and life insurance effected at lowest rates.

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Hotel property, centrally located.

New house, near Linden avenue. Price, $4000. One-third cash.

600 acres good farming land, at Fort George, Crown granted. For sale at a bargain. Classified as first-class farming land.

160 acres on Willow River, near Fort George.

Lot on Fairfield Estate, $850, high ground, lot 50 by 135.

Business property on View street. Price, $4000. Lot 60 x 120.

Houses and lots, from $1000 to $4000, on easy terms.

Four lots in Alberni, block 45.

NOTICE

The time limited by the Rules of the House for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire on Monday, the first day of February, 1909.

THORNTON FELL,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

SHERIFF'S SALE

Under and by virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Supreme Court of British Columbia in an action wherein Pitt & Peterson are plaintiffs and Vancouver Copper Company, defendants, I have seized and taken possession of all the goods and chattels of the defendant company, situate at Mount Sicker, Vancouver Island, consisting of 3 Shay geared locomotives with ore cars, picks, shovels, steel, etc., furniture and contents of Mount Sicker hotel, also large quantities of cord wood. I will offer the said goods and chattels, or a sufficent portion thereof, for sale at public auction, on the premises, Mount Sicker, on Saturday, the 9th day of May, 1908, at 2 o'clock p.m. Terms of sale cash. F. Richards.

Sheriff for the County of Victoria for and on behalf Sheriff County of Nanaimo.

Sheriff's Office, Victoria, May 1, 1908.

NOTICE

The above sale is postponed to a date to be fixed. F. G. Richards. Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Victoria, June 10, 1908.

TENDERS

Tenders for the supply of school requisites for the coming school year will be received up to December 8th by the Secretary of the School Board, at whose office specifications may be obtained. The Board do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

ISABELLA MOORE, Sec.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend to make application to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at its next sitting for a transfer from me to Albert Coopman of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail on the premises formerly known as the Poodle Dog restaurant and now known as the Cecil Cafe, situate at No. 615-619 Yates street, Victoria, B. C.

Dated the 7th day of December, 1908.

W. S. D. SMITH.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that thirty (30) days after date, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a renewal of license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises known as The Hudson's Bay Company's House, situated at McDames Creek, British Columbia.

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY,
Per J. T.

McDames Creek, B. C., 10th December, 1908.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900

Notice is herby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a license to sell intoxicating liquor on the premises to be known as the British Ensign Hotel, situated at Sooke Road.

(Signed) CHRIS. G. BEHNSEN.

Dated at Victoria, this 17th day of November, 1908.

Section 178.

COMPANIES ACT, 1877.

NOTICE is hereby given that Edward John Hearn, accountant, of Victoria, B. C., has been appointed the attorney-in-fact of the Vancouver Island Mining and Development Company, Limited, in the place of Clermont Livingston, deceased.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 16th day of December, 1908.

"S. Y. WOOTTON,"
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

Session of the Legislative Assembly 1909

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE BILL.

Notice is hereby given on behalf of the Corporation of the City of Victoria that application will be made in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for a private Bill to re-enact, ratify and confirm "The Corporation of Victoria Water Works Act," 1873 and the "Victoria West Water Works Amendment Act," Chapter 64 of the Statutes of 1892, and to make the following amendments and additions to such Act:

To amend Section 2 of the Act of 1873, which enables the Corporation by a Commissioner to construct water works, by giving to such Commissioner power to manage and conduct the use for any and every purpose to which any waters of the Corporation are put;

To extend the powers given to the Water Commissioner by Section 7 to the construction of tunnels and dams and conduits subject to compensation;

To amend Section 10 by making the date for the annual return therein directed with statement of affairs of the water works to be made on the 15th January of the year following, in lieu of on the 31st December for the year terminating on that date;

To re-enact Section 13 as amended by Section 4 of Chapter 64 of 1892, in a detailed and concise form, a section giving power and authority to the Water Commissioner to fix the amount of annual water works tax on the basis of frontage along the water mains and branches thereof, or in case of special benefit and advantage to fix a special tax, or to fix the tax according to the relative assessed value taken from the Assessment Roll, or partly by each of these methods, or by two or more or all. In addition to frontage tax price to be paid for use of water by each occupant of a house and for water for other than domestic use and for water supplied outside City Limits and the times for payment;

To amend Section 14, as amended by Section 5 of said Chapter 64 of 1892, by separating the water works monies from general revenue, and to require payment thereof into a separate bank account paying only to the City Treasurer such amounts as the Council may, by resolution, direct;

To repeal Section 19 of said Act of 1873;

To amend Section 20 by placing the service pipe throughout tenement buildings under control as to supply of Commissioner.

To amend Section 27 of said Act of 1873 by by giving power to the Council to authorize contracts for the sale of water mains and plant in the supply of water outside the City or in adjoining municipalities to the Corporation of such Municipalities, with power to contract with outside municipalities for the sale of any quantity of water within such outside municipality either in bulk or upon such terms as to supply and use and payment therefore as may be arranged, and with express power and authority to any outside municipality with whom the Corporation may have made contract for supply, to levy within such municipality a frontage tax or other tax, assessment or rate for the payment of such water supply for the benefit of the Corporation.

To repeal Section 28, 29 and 31 of said Act of 1873 and substitute therefor power to the Corporation to borrow money upon the security of the water works system and property, taxes, rates, rentals and charges and the general revenue of the water works system, or of waters belonging to the Corporation, with the guarantee of the City, and that the debentures to raise monies may be issued under the formalities required for debentures issued under the authority of the Municipal Clauses Act; and following Section 81 of the Municipal Clauses Act; but with power to make loan repayable and not exceeding one hundred years, or to issue same as a perpetual and irredeemable floating charge with or without sinking fund and with power to buy in the debentures out of corporate funds;

To repeal Section 32 of the said Act of 1873, and to substitute therefor power to the Corporation to purchase in extinguishment of debentures indebtness debentures now outstanding at a sum not exceeding the par or nominal value of same, out of the sinking fund set aside for the particular issue;

To repeal Section 33 of said Act of 1873.

To add to Section 34 of said Act of 1873, as amended by Section 9 of said Chapter 64, by enabling the passing of a By-law to give effect to Section 14, and by separating and paying all water works monies into an account with the Bankers of the Corporation, there to remain under control of the Council to be expended on water works account;

To add to Section 36 a proviso entitling the Commissioner and Corporation, to one month's notice of action before any proceedings arising out of, or in connection with, the carrying out of the said Act;

To authorize the exercise of the Council's powers by By-law save in matters of administrative detail, which may be by resolution;

To repeal Section 40, 42, and 43 of said Act of 1873 and to enact that water works taxes shall be deemed to be debts due to the Corporation and collected as municipal taxes; and otherwise to provide for securing and enforcing payment for water supplied;

To give to the Corporation power to use waters for producing any form of power, or for producing and generating electricity for the purpose of light, heat and power, either within or without the City; that all powers, rights and privileges by any Act granted to the Corporation shall be applicable to the use of water for power purposes and giving to the Corporation the following powers:—

Power to construct works;

To transmit power;

To convey power by wires and place poles for carrying wires on lands or highways outside the city;

To construct all necessary buildings and works and maintain and operate the same, extending the powers of expropriation to waters for power purposes;

That any arbitration to ascertain compensation under Water Works Acts may, at the election of the Council, be proceeded with under Section 251 of the Municipal Clauses Act.

And such incidental and necessary powers as are involved in the foregoing or may be conveniently used therewith.

Dated this 30th day of November, 1908.

MASON & MANN

Solicitors to the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada 1906, Chapter 115, Thomas H. Horne will apply to the Governor-in-Council for approval of the plan and site for the erection of a wooden wharf in front of lots 1284 and 1285 in the city of Victoria, B. C.

A plan of the said proposed wharf and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed site of the same, have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and duplicates thereof have been deposited in the office of the Registrar of Deeds for the said city of Victoria, the same being the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid.

FELL & GREGORY,
Solicitors for Thomas H. Horne.

Victoria, B. C., the 3rd December, 1908.

NOTICE

Legislative Assembly

PRIVATE BILLS.

Excerpt from Rules and Orders Relating to Private Bills.

All applications for Private Bills, properly the subject of legislation by the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, within the purview of the "British North America Act" require a notice, specifying the nature and object of the application and indicating generally the location of the work, and signed by or on behalf of the applicants.

Such notice to be published in the British Columbia Gazette, and in one newspaper published in the district affected, and if no such newspaper is published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest district in which a newspaper is published.

Such notice shall be continued in each case for a period of at least six weeks, during the interval of time between the close of the last session of the house and the consideration of the petition.

No petition is received by the House after the first ten days of the session, nor may any private bill be presented to the House after the first three weeks of the session, nor may any report of any committee upon Private Bill be received after the first four weeks of the session.

This rule may only be suspended upon motion following a report of the Private Bills Committee, and if suspended, double fees are payable. Eight clear days before the first day of the session the applicant is to pay to the clerk, the House fees, and deposit at the same time two hundred copies of the bill, a copy of the petition duly signed, and a copy of the published notices. The failure to comply with the above necessitates the payment of double fees.

Before any petition praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge, is received by the House, the person or persons intending to petition for such bill shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by the rules, also at the same time and in the same manner, give notice of the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of rafts and vessels, and mentioning also whether they intend to erect a drawbridge or not, and the dimensions of the same.

All Private Bills for Acts of Incorporation shall be so framed as to incorporate by reference the clauses of the General Acts relating to the details to be provided for by such bills: Special grounds shall be established for any proposed departure from this principle, or for the introduction of other provisions as to such details, and a note shall be appended to the bill indicating the provisions thereof in which the General Act is proposed to be departed from. Bills which are not framed in accordance with this rule shall be re-cast by the promoters and reprinted at their expense before any committee passes upon the clauses.

All Private Bills shall be prepared by the parties applying for the same, and printed in small pica type, twenty-six ems by fifty ems, on good paper, in imperial octavo form, each page when folded measuring 10¾ by 7½ inches. There shall be a marginal number every fifth line of each page; the numbering of the lines is not to run on through the bill, but the lines of each page are to be numbered separately. If amendments are made to any bill during its progress before the committee or through the House, such bill shall be reprinted by the promoters thereof.

By new Rule 65A, passed on the 2nd April, 1901, (see Journals, 1901, page 58), a model form of Railway Bill is adopted and must be used.

By 65B all bills to incorporate or amend bills incorporating railway companies are to be drawn in accordance with the Model Bill.

The provisions contained in any bill which are not in accord with the Model Bill shall be inserted between brackets.

Any exceptional provisions that it may be proposed to insert in any such bill shall be clearly specified in the notice of application for the same.

Dated 7th December, 1908.

THORNTON FELL,
Clerk, Legislative Assembly.

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1000	International Coal	.78
1000	Diamond Vale Coal	.18
5	United Wireless	.16
10	Pacific Whaling	.82
1000	Van Briquette	.70

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White Tibet "Throws" $6.50, $4.00 and	$3.75
White Tibet Muffs $9.75 and	$6.00
White Tibet Stoles $13.50, $9.25, $7.50, $6.00, $5.25 and	$3.50
Fur Necklets, may be worn all the year in B. C.	$1.25
Russian "Throwovers" from	$3.50
Russian Stoles $4.25 and	$2.25
Mink Marmot "Throws" $9.75 and	$9.25
Mink Marmot Stoles $21.00, $14.50 $10.50, $9.25, $8.00, $7.75, $4.75, $3.75 and	$3.50

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Perrin's Kid Gloves for ladies, black, browns and tans, per pair $1.50, $1.25 and	$1.00
Perrin's Long Kid Gloves, per pair $3.00 and	$2.50

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Long Lace Scarfs $1.25 to	25c
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Wool Fascinators 85c, 60c and	50c
Wool Shawls from	65c
Silk Shawls	$2.00
Lace Collars 50c, 35c, 25c, 20c and	12½c
Fancy Chiffon Collars $1.25, $1.00, 85c and	50c

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THE LOCAL MARKETS

Retail Prices

Flour	
Royal Household, a bag	$2.00
Lake of the Woods, a bag	$2.00
Royal Standard, a bag	$2.00
Wild Rose, a bag	$1.75
Calgary, a bag	$2.00
Hungarian, per bbl.	$7.75
Snowflake, a bag	$1.70
Snowflake, per bbl.	$6.80
Moffet's Best, per bbl.	$7.75
Drifted Snow, per sack	$1.70
Three Star, per sack	$2.00
Foodstuffs	
Bran, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.60
Shorts, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.70
Middlings, per 100 lbs.	$ 2.00
Feed Wheat, per 100 lbs.	$ 2.00
Oats, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.55
Barley, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.60
Chop Feed, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.50
Whole Corn, per 100 lbs.	$ 2.15
Cracked Corn, per 100 lbs.	$ 2.20
Feed Cornmeal, per 100 lbs.	$ 2.25
Hay, Fraser River, per ton	$16.00
Hay, Prairie, per ton	$16.00
Hay, Alfalfa, per ton	$20.00
Crushed Oats, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.65
Crushed Barley, per 100 lbs.	$ 1.65
Vegetables	
Celery, per head	.05
Lettuce, two heads	.05
Garlic, per lb.	.20
Onions, 8 lbs for	.25
Green Onions, 3 bunches for	.10
Potatoes, per sack	.75
Cauliflower, each	.20 to .35
Cabbage, new, per lb	.02
Red Cabbage, per lb.	.05
Green Peas, per lb.	.08
Beans, per lb.	.08
Beans, per lb.	.05 to .15
Tomatoes, per basket	.25
Beets, per lb.	.05
Carrots, per lb.	.05
Sweet Potatoes, 4 lbs.	.25
Dairy Produce	
Eggs—	
Fresh Island, per dozen	.60
Eastern, per dozen	.35
Cheese—	
Canadian, per lb.	.20
Neufchatel, each	.05
Cream, local, each	.10
Butter—	
Manitoba, per lb.	.35
Best Dairy	.25 to .30
Victoria Creamery, per lb.	.45
Cowichan Creamery, per lb.	.45
Comox Creamery, per lb.	.40
Chilliwack Creamery, per lb.	.40
Alberni Creamery, per lb.	.40
Fruit	
Grape Fruit, per dozen	$1 to $1.50
Oranges, per dozen	.25 to .50
Lemons, per dozen	.25
Figs, cooking, per lb.	.08 to .10
Apples, per box	$1 to $1.75
Bananas, per dozen	.30
Figs, table, per lb.	.25
Raisins, Valencia, per lb.	.15
Raisins, table, per lb.	.25 to .60
Pineapples, each	.60
Grapes, Malaga, per lb.	.25
Grapes, Concord, per basket	.75
Cranberries, Cape Cod, qt.	.25
Nuts	
Walnuts, per lb.	.30
Brazils, per lb.	.30
Almonds, Jordon, per lb.	.75
Almonds, Cal., per lb.	.30
Coconnuts, each	.15
Pecans, per lb.	.30
Chestnuts, per lb.	.30
Fish	
Cod, salted, per lb.	10 to .13
Halibut, fresh per lb.	.08 to .10
Halibut, smoked, per lb	.15
Cod, fresh, per lb.	.06 to .08
Smoked Herring	.12½
Crabs, 2 for	.25
Black Bass, per lb.	.06 to .08
Oolichans, salt, per lb.	.12½
Black Cod, salt, per lb.	.12½
Flounders, fresh, per lb.	.06 to .08
Salmon, fresh white, per lb.	.08 to .10
Salmon, fresh red, per lb.	.10 to .12
Salmon, smoked, per lb.	.20
Shrimps, per lb.	.25 to .30
Smelts, per lb.	.08 to .10
Herring, kippered, per lb.	.12½
Finnan Haddie, per lb.	.20
Meat and Poultry.	
Beef, per lb.	.08 to .18
Lamb, per lb.	.15 to .25
Mutton, per lb.	.12½ to .20
Lamb, per quarter, fore	1.25 to 1.50
Lamb, per quarter, hind	1.75 to 2.00
Veal, dressed, per lb.	.15 to .18
Geese, dressed, per lb.	.18 to .20
Guinea Fowls, each	1.00
Chickens, per lb.	.25 to .30
Chickens per lb. live weight	.12½ to .15
Ducks, dressed, per lb.	.20 to .25
Hams, per lb.	.18 to .22
Hares, dressed, each	.75
Bacon, per lb.	.20 to .25
Pork, dressed, per lb.	.12½ to .15
Rabbits, dressed, each	.50 to .65

ADVANCE TOO RAPID FOR PRICES TO HOLD

Lack of Confidence and Rise in Money Rates Lead to Liquidation

New York, Dec. 21.—Today's stock market bore on the face of it evidence of important speculative liquidation. Conjecture was a great deal divided as to the course of this liquidation, but there was no difference of opinion as to the fact.

The exact meaning of the present liquidation is difficult to determine, as it bears on the present situation of the organization which inaugurated and has followed the speculative rise in prices. That it is prompted by fears of any effective backset in the progress of improvement in general business is not believed. It is attributed rather to a recognition that the advance in prices had been carried beyond the point warranted by progress in recuperation of business, even in its most favorable aspect. Furthermore, there have been elements of exaggeration in the opinions formed of events to come in the political field, particularly the assurance assumed of benefits to accrue to corporation enterprises on that account.

The rise in money rates has done away with the urgency of bankers to lend money, which was a positive force for a long time in injecting resources into the stock market. It is figured that the length of time over which the operations of the supposed market pool have continued, and the extensive advance in prices which has occurred, afford opportunity for profitable liquidation of holdings on a scale down through a correspondingly extensive decline. Rumors of the illness of E. H. Harriman, although authoritatively denied, had some sinister effect on values.

The nature of Andrew Carnegie's testimony in the tariff hearings served to emphasize the feeling that the proposed tariff revision is widening in its scope and in its effect. The confirmation of the purchase of the Colorado and Southern by the Burlington seemed to hurt the Hill stocks, which would presumably be the beneficiaries from a favorable result of this project.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

(Furnished by F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

New York, Dec. 21.—Very little damage was done to stocks like Norfolk and Western, the Hawley, the Wabash, Interboro, Brooklyn of N. Y. C., and it is to be noted that the Smelters gained in price, closing well above $0. The Harriman group were, of course, weak on the report that he had indigestion but there were rumors of serious liquidation which failed to materialize. Around 175 and below there was accumulation, it made about half it's loss. There was a good deal of covering in Southern Pacific and Union Pacific after midday. The Hill stocks sympathized and there is no question but what shorts covered freely on the liquidation and there was no demand for stocks in the loan crowd. We are informed that a great many stocks were returned. The Hawley deal foreshadows others of importance. The failure of the supreme court to hand down the Gas decision broke that stock seven points. The talk is very much higher prices for Wisconsin Central pfd, Wabash pfd, Norfolk and Western, the Wabashes, the Interboro, Brooklyn and New York Central.

	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Allis Chalmers	15½	15¼	15½
do pfd	48¾	48¼	49
Amal. Copper	79⅜	85¾	78
Am. Car Fdy.	45⅞	45¼	45⅝
do pfd	108¼	108	107½
Am. Cot. Oil	41½	40¼	40½
do pfd	..	..	93
Amer. Ice	..	..	24
Amer. Loco.	54⅝	53⅝	54¼
do pfd	..	..	109½
Amer. Smelt.	80⅝	79	80⅝
do pfd	101	100	100¼
Amer. Sugar	128	125⅜	127
do pfd	..	..	126
Amer. Tel.	..	..	127
Amer. Woolen	..	..	28
do pfd	..	..	94½
Anaconda	47½	45¼	46½
Atlantic Coast	105½	104	104
Atchison	95¾	94¾	95¼
do pfd	101⅝	101½	101
B. and O.	108¾	106¾	107⅝
do pfd	..	..	91½
B. R. T.	59⅝	57¾	59⅛
C. C. C. and S. L.	..	..	65¼
C. P. R.	175¼	173⅜	174⅝
C. and O.	56½	55¼	56
C. and A.	..	..	54
C. and G. W.	11½	11⅛	11⅛
do pfd A.	..	..	35¾
do pfd B.	13⅝	13⅛	13⅜
C. and N. W.	175	174½	175
C. M. and S. P.	147⅞	143½	145⅛
do pfd	..	..	161
Cent. Leather	29½	29¼	29⅛
do pfd	100	99⅜	99¾
C. F. and I.	37½	36½	37½
do pfd	..	..	56
Colo. Southern	58½	56½	57⅞
do 1s pfd	76	75½	75¾
do 2s pfd	73½	71¾	73
Con. Gas	..	..	158½
Corn Products	16⅞	16¼	16½
do pfd	..	..	71¾
D. and H.	177	176½	176½
D. and R. G.	36	35	35½
Distillers	35⅜	35	35½
Erie	33	31⅞	32⅝
do 1s pfd	47½	46⅞	47⅛
do 2s pfd	..	..	37¾
Gen. Elec.	157½	155½	156
Gt. Nor. Ore ctfs.	71½	70	70⅛
Gt. Nor. pfd	144	141¼	142¼
Illinois Cent.	145¼	142¼	143½
Inter-Met.	19½	18	18⅝
do pfd	45	43	44
Int. Paper	..	..	11½
do pfd	..	..	56
Int. Pump	32	31½	32
do pfd	80¼	80	80
Iowa Central	..	..	29
do pfd	..	..	46½
L. and N.	122½	118½	119
Mackay	..	..	73¾
do pfd	..	..	69
Mexican Cent.	21	19¾	20¾
M. S. P. S. S. M.	130¼	128½	129
do pfd	..	..	147
M. K. and T.	39¼	37¾	38⅛
do pfd	71¾	70⅞	71
Missouri Pacific	63	61½	62¼
Nat. Lead	77¼	75	76½
do pfd	..	..	104½
Newhouse	5¾	5¼	5⅝
N. Y. Cent.	118¼	116¼	116⅞
N. Y. O. and W.	44¼	43½	43⅞
N. and W.	84⅝	84	84
Northern Pac.	139¾	137½	137¾
Pacific Coast	..	..	80
Pennsyl. Ry.	128¾	128	128¾
Peoples Gas	100¼	99⅞	99⅞
Pressed Steel	..	..	40½
do pfd	..	..	99
Reading	138¾	135⅝	137¼
do 1s pfd	..	..	90½
do 2s pfd	..	..	91
Rep. Steel	25	24	24¼
do pfd	85⅝	85¼	85¾
Rock Island	22¾	22	22⅛
do pfd	58¾	54¾	56⅞
Sloss Steel	77	76⅛	76¾
Southern Pac.	118¾	115¼	116¾
do pfd	122¼	120½	121
Tenn. Copper	44⅛	43¾	44¼
Texas Pac.	32¼	31¼	31⅞
Third Ave.	35⅜	33⅛	34
T. S. L. and W.	40	39½	39
do pfd	65¾	65	65½
Twin City	..	..	92
Union Pacific	179½	174¼	176½
do pfd	95	94½	94
U. S. Cast I. Pipe	28	27½	27¼
do pfd	..	..	73
U. S. Steel	53¼	51¼	52
do pfd	111⅞	110⅞	111¾
Utah Copper	..	..	43¾
Virginia Chem.	43	42½	42¾
do pfd	..	..	113
Wabash	19⅞	19¼	19⅝
do pfd	50	47½	49¼
Western Union	..	..	65¼
Westinghouse	86	84¼	84¼
Wisconsin Cent.	30	29¾	29½
do pfd	65¼	64	65

Money on call, 3¾, 3, 3 per cent.

BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE.

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Stock—	Bid.	Asked.
Adventure	08⅝	08⅞
Allouez	35	36
Arcadian	03	04
Boston Cons.	15½	15⅞
Butte Coalition	25⅞	26
Black Mountain	02⅝	02¾
Calumet and Arizona	114	115
Centennial	32	33
Copper Range	77½	78
Cumberland-Ely	08⅜	08⅝
Daly-West	10	10¼
Davis-Daly	03⅜	03½
East Butte	08¾	09
First National	67	67⅛
Granby Copper	103	104½
Globe Cons.	06	07
Greene Cananea	11⅛	11⅜
Hancock	11¾	11⅞
Helvetia	04½	04¾
Isle Royale	22	23
Keweenaw	04¾	05
Lake	21½	22
La Salle	14	14½
Mass	05½	06
Bay State Gas	79	80
Miami	12½	12¾
Mohawk	67	67½
Nevada-Utah	02⅝	02¾
Nipissing	10¼	10½
Nevada Cons.	18⅜	18¾
North Butte	80½	80¾
Old Dominion	54⅝	55
Parrot Mining	27⅜	27¾
Quincy Copper	92	93
Shannon Copper	16½	16¾
Superior and Pittsburg	16¼	16½
Superior and Boston	16	15¼
Tamarack	77	78
Trinity	16	16¼
Victoria	03¼	03½
United Copper	12	12¼
U. S. Smelt. and Ref.	42⅝	43
do pfd	45¾	46
Utah Consolidated	43¼	43¾
Utah Copper	43½	44
Winona	05⅞	06½
Yukon	04½	04⅝

VANCOUVER STOCK EXCHANGE.

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Listed Stocks—	Bid.	Asked.
Alberta Coal and Coke	12	...
Burton Saw Works	...	120
Int. Coal and Coke	74½	...
Portland Canal	...	09
Western Oil	60	90
Unlisted Stocks—		
Amer. Canadian Oil	08	15
B. C. Copper Co.	07½	...
B. C. Permanent Loan	120	...
B. C. Pulp and Paper	90	1.00
B. C. Trust Corp.	...	100
Canadian Con. S. and R.	...	95
Can. North-West Oil	...	50
Caribou Camp McKinney	01	02
Diamond Vale Coal	15½	18
Dominion Trust Co.	130	...
Gt. West Permanent	...	115
Nicola Valley Coal	68	72½
Northern Bank	...	98
Rambler Cariboo	12	...
Royal Collieries	35	36½
Sullivan	...	02
Vancouver Ice	120	...
Coeur D'Alene Stocks.		
Alameda	02¼	03
Gertie	02½	03½
Missoula Copper	02¼	03¼
Nabob	02½	03¼
O. K. Con.	..	02
Oom Paul	04	06
Rex (16 to 1)	06	...
Snowstorm	2.05	2.25
Stewart	55	85
Tamarack and Ches.	60	85
Wonder	02	03

Sales—Diamond Vale, 250 at 15 cents.

CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Wheat—The action of the market today indicates that altogether too much short selling has been and that general covering resulted from the discovery that the market had considerable merit on the weak spots, that the trade seemed to get congested at the decline and regardless of considerable bear news today the market acted very strong and closed near the top. There was an early dip in May to 104¾. Under 105 flat for this month brokers of the leading bull houses in the trade took some wheat. Other commission people appeared to have good resting orders on the buying side. The offerings of the local trade were quickly absorbed and the market soon had a recovery to 105½. The upturn was helped by large shipments. For the present limit buying orders to good dips.

Corn—For two weeks past we took the position in this corn market that it would do to buy May carefully on a scale down from 62 to 60 cents if necessary, for a probable turn back on a let up in sales by corn raisers in all these states because of the decline in cash prices. The turn came this morning when May touched 59¾. At this point some large sellers of the past week switched and became bullish.

Oats—Oats sympathized with wheat and corn during the greater part of the session, closing with fractional gains for all options.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	105⅛	105¾	104¾	105⅝
July	97⅛	97⅝	96⅞	97⅝
Sept.	....	....	....	94¼
Corn—				
May	60	60⅝	59¾	60½
July	59⅞	60½	59⅝	60½
Sept.	59¾	60½	59¾	60½
Oats—				
May	50⅝	51¼	50½	51⅛
July	45⅝	46⅛	45½	46⅛
Sept.	40	40⅛	40	40⅛
Pork —				
Jan.	15.90	16.02	15.85	15.95
May	16.25	16.35	16.20	16.30
Lard—				
Jan.	9.25	9.35	9.25	9.30
May	9.45	9.57	9.45	9.52
Short Ribs—				
Jan.	8.22	8.22	8.22	8.22
May	8.55	8.62	8.55	8.57

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

(Furnished by F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

New York, Dec. 21.—The market opened steady, unchanged to 3 points down. Trade was quiet, large in early dealings with bears hammering the market but were not very successful. The feature of the day was the ginner's report which had very little effect. The market is all right and while we have a quiet fit until after the holidays think we will see higher prices early in the new year.

Option—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	8.52	8.56	8.46	8.54
Feb.	8.58	8.58	8.54	8.54
March	8.61	8.68	8.50	8.63
April	....	....	....	8.66
May	8.68	8.73	8.64	8.71
June	8.64	8.64	8.64	8.68
July	8.68	8.71	8.62	8.70
Aug.	8.59	8.59	8.59	8.60
Oct.	8.49	8.53	8.45	8.49
Nov.	8.52	8.52	8.52	8.52
Dec.	8.90	8.94	8.86	8.88

SPOKANE STOCK EXCHANGE.

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Stock—	Bid.	Asked.
Alameda	02	03
Copper King	02½	03½
Gertie	02½	03
Humming Bird	06	07½
Lucky Calumet	07½	08½
Missoula Copper	02	03
Monitor	25	33
Nabob	02½	03¼
O. K. Consolidated	¾	01½
Oom Paul	04	05¼
Panhandle Smelter	03¼	03¾
Rex	06	09
Snowshoe	06	07
Snowstorm	2.01	2.20
Stewart	63	85
Tamarack	50	85
Wonder	02⅝	03
International Coal	75	80
Rambler Cariboo	14	17

ASHORE AT SEATTLE

Steamer Watson Aground on Shoal in Harbor of Puget Sound Port

The steamer Watson grounded in Seattle harbor on a shoal on Friday afternoon. When the vessel reported her predicament by wireless the steamer Jeanie was sent to aid the other vessel, making attempts to pull the Watson off. The hawsers broke, and although the Watson backed her engines, she did not move. At midnight the steamer was still hard and fast, but the tug Pioneer went alongside and she pulled the steamer into deep water yesterday. The Watson was drawing eleven feet forward and sixteen and a half feet aft when she grounded.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

(Too Late for Classification)

MEN WANTED—Reliable men in every locality throughout Canada to advertise our goods, tack up showcards on trees, fences, bridges, and all conspicuous places, also distribute small advertising matter. Commission or salary $83 per month and expenses $4 per day. Steady employment to good reliable men. No experience necessary. Write for particulars. Empire Medicine Co., London, Ont.

WANTED—Seven white Pekin ducks. Colonist, Box 458. d22

WANTED—Furnished house to rent for 3 to 5 months, 8 to 10 rooms; within easy reach of car. Address Box X Y Z, Colonist. d22

TEACHER WANTED for Sooke public chool, duties to commence January 4th, 1909; salary $50 per month. Apply to J. S. Muir, Sooke, B. C. d22

TURKEYS—Choicest turkeys at 23c a pound, delivered to any part of the city. Fernwood Market, F. D. Clark. d22

FURNISHED HOUSE WANTED, about $25 to $35 per month, Oak Bay district preferred. Small family. Address Harman & Punnett, 622 Trounce Ave. d22

WANTED—To purchase, a second-hand incubator in good condition. State full particulars to X, Box 633, Victoria, P. O. d22

WANTED--Immediately, working housekeeper; small house, only two in family. Apply 2421 Douglas, corner of Bay St. d22

IN TEN MINUTES we can tell you all about The Pingree Mines and their rich ores; how the gold values pay all expenses, leaving the copper, which runs $49.00 per ton, as net profit; also why the stock is now selling at 15 cents, and why we know it will advance to par shortly. Call or write. Maysmith & Co., Mahon Bldg. d22

WANTED—Veterans warrants. Write lowest cash price, to P. O. Box 784. d22

LOST—On Saturday, gold brooch. Reward. B. A. Trust, Broad and View. d22

LOST—Between Linden avenue and the Victoria theatre, on Saturday night, a pair of gold-rimed eye-glasses in case. Reward. Colonist office. d22

WHY PAY RENT? $500 down and $50 a month will buy a large modern, well-built home on one of the best residential streets of the city; handsome house, beautiful grounds; garden, fruit trees, etc. A great bargain. Owner must sell. Address Box 454, Colonist. d22

WANTED—One reliable man in every town to take orders for best custom made clothes in Canada. Highest commission. Rex Tailoring Co., Toronto. d22

LOST—A pair of lady's eyeglasses, while getting on car corner of Cook and Fort Sts., Saturday night about 8:15. Please leave at Colonist office. d22

FOR SALE—One yearling registered red poll bull. Apply to C. T. Gibbons, Cowichan Station. d22

WANTED—To rent, a cottage about six rooms, close in, permanent, no children. Mr. Baldock, 420 Michigan St., phone 1330. d22

LOST—Sunday evening, on or near Cook street, between Fort and Pandora, lady's gold initialed watch. Reward. 453, Colonist. d22

LOST—Tripple nugget pin. Finder please return to 1034 View St., or phone B-1438. Reward. d22

WANTED—Male teacher with first-class certificate for first division, Wellington public school; salary $60 per month. Also an assistant teacher for second division. Apply, giving references, to the secretary, Board of Trustees, Wellington, B. C. d22

WANTED—Girl for housework. Apply mornings or evenings. 1422 Stanley Ave. d22

YES!—The Royal Dairy will deliver to your order their choicest ice cream for Christmas, including all kinds of fruit bricks, punches, sherbets, etc. Order early and make your Christmas dinner complete. We also carry the very best whipping cream. Phone 188. 1004 Broad. d22

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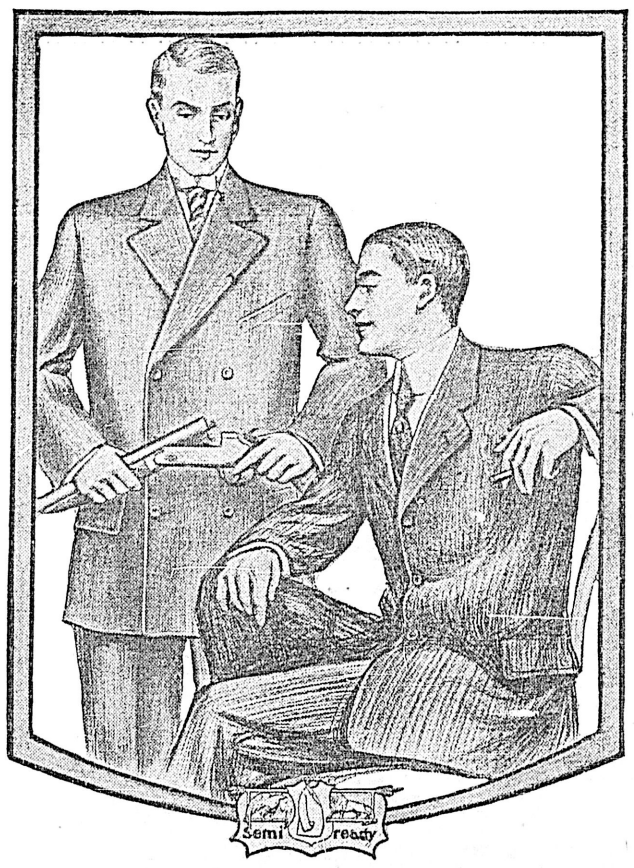

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Lots for sale between Fairfield Road and Foul Bay on new car line from $500.

SPECIAL PRICES ON XMAS GOODS FOR NEXT THREE DAYS

We will try and sell all Christmas goods before the 25th. In any case no holiday goods will be reduced after Christmas. We prefer to give our customers the benefit of any reductions when the articles are most wanted. We particularly wish to draw your attention to the SALE OF CHRISTMAS CHINA—pieces suitable for gifts.

Women's Slippers on Sale

Regular $1.25 to $1.75 Slippers, Today 75c

What could possibly be more popular at this time of year than slippers at reduced prices? These slippers are all the gift kind, attractive styles that make a nice present for Christmas. It is a little unusual, an offering like this before the holiday, but we are giving you the chance to save on these just when everybody wants to make their money go as far as possible.

Women's Juliet Slippers, fur bound colors, red, green, purple, and wine. Reg. price, today .. **75¢**

Women's Plaid Check Bedroom Slippers, felt and leather soles. Reg. $1.25 and $1.50. Today .. .. **75¢**

Women's Felt Boudoir Slippers, red, black, and brown, regular $1.25, today .. .. **75¢**

Women's Crochet Bedroom Slippers, lambswool soles, pale blue, pink, grey, cardinal and black, reg. price $1.25. Today .. .. **75¢**

Women's Bedroom Slippers, pink mercerized satin, reg. $1.50. Today .. .. **75¢**

Women's Pink Juliet Slippers, fur bound, mercerized satin, reg. price $1.75. Today .....**75¢**

Many Special Values are Here

The Book Department offers some very attractive values on articles for Christmas gifts, Many of these lines are below the regular price:

Buster Brown Books, price .. .. **50¢**

Padded Poets, reg. price $1.00. Special .. .. **75¢**

Everyman's Library, large list of titles, leather edition 50c, cloth edition **25¢**

People's Library, leather 50c, cloth .. .. .. **25¢**

Christmas Cards, regular 15c, 20c and 25c. Special at .. .. **10¢**

Calendars, worth 35c and 50c. Special .. .. .. **25¢**

Christmas Books, beautifully illustrated, at 55c, 35c, 25c and .. .. .. **15¢**

Christmas Post Cards, special, per dozen .. **20¢**

Henty Books for Boys, at 50c and .. .. .. **25¢**

Young Folks' Companion, price .. .. **60¢**

Chatterbox, price .. .. **75¢**

Girls' Realm, price **$1.75**

Alger Books for boys, price .. .. **25¢**

Leather Poets, at $3.00, $2.75, $2.50, $2.25, $1.75, and **$1.25**

Big List of Titles in Copyright Books, reg. $1.00 and $1.25. Special at .. .. **50¢**

A TOY BARGAIN FOR TODAY

NOAH'S ARKS, the regular price was 25c, will be on sale today at..... **10c**

7.30 Sale of Men's Fancy Vests

$2.50 to $3.50 Fancy Vests for $1.50

A quantity of Fancy Vests for Men on sale tonight. These vests are in light, medium and dark effects in fancy checks, plaids, and stripes, also some handsome patterns in rich brocades. The regular values are $2.50 to $3.50 each. On sale tonight at 7.30 p.m. Choice for **$1.50**

Dainty Evening Dresses at Small Prices

Just received by express, a small lot of Dainty Evening Dresses. They were ordered by wire to be here in time for the holiday social events. These are the very latest novelties in this line, some being shirt waist style and others the novelty Princess effect. They are very neat and dressy, and not the least attractive features of these dresses are the extremely low prices. We describe some of the styles:

SHIRT WAIST SUIT, made of point d'esprit net in cream and white. The waist is made with a yoke of lace insertion, and the front has rows of insertion edged with lace, long tight sleeves tucked and finished with lace at wrist, lined with silk. Skirt made with four rows of tucks and three rows of insertion, drop skirt of silk. Price **$22.50**

A suit this same style, made of black net, at **$25.00**

PRINCESS DRESS, made of fine white and cream Brussels net, yoke of rich lace and silk braid, row of lace insertion down front and around waist line, tight sleeves with rows of tucks and wide insertion. Skirt finished with deep tucks and rows of valenciennes insertion, drop skirt of cream silk. Price **$25.00**

PRINCESS DRESS, made of mauve taffeta silk, the waist part finished with tucks and fine Valenciennes lace and insertion, sleeves trimmed to match. Skirt has three rows of tucks down front and three rows of fine insertion. Three rows of fine insertion round bottom of skirt, one row edged with lace to match. Price **$25.00**

PRINCESS DRESS made of Brussels net, waist part made with yoke of baby Irish and valenciennes laces, front and back made tucks, long tight sleeves with insertion and tucks. Insertion round waist line with directoire girdle skirt, polonaise effect entirely new, with row of insertion edged with white silk, underskirt of white silk. Price .. **$30.00**

Price Attractions in the China Dept.

The China Store will be one of the most interesting shopping places for the next few days. Hundreds of dainty pieces of china to choose from, and the little prices we have them marked are attracting the attention they deserve. See display in the Broad Street windows. Every article marked. These are some special values at 25c and 50c.

TEA CUPS AND SAUCERS, dainty shapes and decorations .. .. **25¢**

BON BON TRAYS, leaf shapes, rose decorations .. **25¢**

CARD RECEIVERS, leaf design, forget-me-not decoration .. .. **25¢**

TEA POT STANDS, assorted shapes .. .. **25¢**

CANDY BASKETS, scolloped edge, gold traced .. .. **25¢**

BERRY BOWLS, 9 inch size, assorted decorations .. .. **25¢**

FANCY PLATES, lattice border, rose decoration .. **25¢**

MILK JUGS, fancy shapes and decorations .. .. **25¢**

FANCY VASES, Dutch designs .. .. **25¢**

BREAD AND BUTTER PLATES, large assortment **25¢**

TEA PLATES, plain and scolloped edge, light and heavy decorations .. .. **25¢**

CREAM JUGS, swan pattern, gold lines .. .. **25¢**

FLAT SPOONERS, rose decorations .. .. **25¢**

CHILDREN'S FANCY CUPS AND SAUCERS, various decorations .. .. **25¢**

SHAVING MUGS, swan decorations .....**25¢**

CHEESE DISHES, white fluted, Dorothy pattern, at **50¢**

CHEESE DISHES, in cream and gold .. .. **50¢**

MILK JUGS, various choice designs, with gilt tracings, **50¢**

PLATES, Limoges china, holly decoration, beaded gold edge, at .. .. **50¢**

SAUCE BOATS, Limoges china, at .. .. **50¢**

SOAP DISHES, Limoges china, at .. .. **50¢**

DESSERT PLATES, rose decorations, choice gold border, at .. .. **50¢**

SUGAR BASINS, at .. .. **50¢**

PORRIDGE BOWLS AND CREAM JUGS, each .. **50¢**

PRESERVE DISHES, with handles and quaint figures, brownie pattern, at .. .. **50¢**

RADISH DISHES, at .. .. **50¢**

SPOON TRAYS, with handles, very newest styles, at **50¢**

VASES, graceful shapes, rose and poppy decorations, at **50¢**

HAT PIN AND RING HOLDERS, at .. .. **50¢**

BREAKFAST CRUETS, in white metal, the English patent fittings, at .. .. **50¢**

GLASS DECANTERS, for oil and vinegar, with stoppers, at .. .. **50¢**

Toys for Boys and Girls

For the Boy

ROCKING HORSES at $25.00, $9.00, $7.50, $6.75, $4.50, $3.50, 2.75, and **$2.00**

EXPRESS WAGONS, with wood or steel tops, at $5.75, $3.75, $2.75 and **$2.00**

TOY CARTS, at 95c, 75c, 65c, 50c and **35¢**

GARDEN BARROWS, painted in bright colors, at $2.50, $1.00 and .. .. .. **75¢**

PRINTING PRESSES, complete with ink and type, at $5.00 and **$1.75**

MAGIC LANTERNS, at $10.00, $7.50, $4.50, $2.50, $1.50 and **$1.00**

CINEMOTOGRAPHS, at $15.00, $10.00, and **$7.50**

MECHANICAL RAILWAYS, at $9.50, $6.50, $5.00, $4.50, and **$2.50**

BOATS, a large variety at $2.00, $1.50, $1.25, $1.00, 75c, and .. .. **50¢**

TOOL SETS, at $4.75, $1.00, 75c to .. **50¢**

TRICYCLES, some with rubber tyres, at $8.50, $6.50, $5.75, $4.75 and **$3.75**

AUTOMOBILES, made of selected wood with front of steel, at $13.50 and **$11.75**

For the Girl

DRESSED DOLLS, a big variety at $12.00, $1.50, $1.25, $1.00, 75c and...**50¢**

DOLLS' BEDSTEADS, at $12.50, $1.25, 75c, ... **25¢**

TEDDY BEARS, white, tan and brown, $8.75, $1.25, $1.00, and .. .. **75¢**

BI-BA-BO NOVELTY DOLL for children, lots of fun. Price .. .. **25¢**

STOVES, complete with full equipment, at $12.50, $7.50, $5.00, and **$3.75**

WASH STANDS, fitted complete, price each **$4.50**

BATHS for the dolls, $3.50, 35c and **25¢**

TEA SETS, in painted designs, at $2.00, $1.50 and **$1.00**

TIN TEA SETS, special at .. .. .. **25¢**

CHINA DINNER SETS, at.... ..**$3.50**

WASHING SETS, at 75c, 50c and..**25¢**

DOLLS' GO-CARTS, at $9.75, $2.00, $1.50, $1.00 and .. ..**75¢**

DOLLS' BUGGIES, at $9.50, $1.50, **$1.00**

KITTY BOWLS, the new game, the parlor edition of lawn bowling. Complete.. .. ..**$1.50**

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These Glove Scrips make it easy for you to get just the right gifts for your friends. If you don't know the glove size, get a scrip. Then they are good for any article desired, so that you are not confined to gloves alone in giving one of these. They can be bought for any amount and are redeemable in any of our stores.

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